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Below are profiles of our regular writers and also our occasional to Soul Searchers Paranormal magazine.



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Steve is the Case Manager and an Investigator for SOuL Searchers Paranormal Investigations. Ever since he was a child Steve has had a fascination with all things paranormal. As he got older he had more questions than answers and as science has developed over the years so too has the equipment he uses to assist him in investigating the paranormal. Steve has Clairvoyant and Clairsentient abilities which he is constantly developing through

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Editor's Note



Happy New Year!

I have a good feeling that 2013 is going to be another exciting year for the Australian paranormal community.

Soul Searchers Paranormal Magazine is hot on the trail for YOUR paranormal stories, especially ones that are unusual. Also if you are starting something new we want to hear about it, whether it is a new video, a ghost tour or an event.

Don't forget we have Paracon Australia, the paranormal conference which is happening this year in Melbourne on 8 - 10th March 2013. So register as soon as possible to secure your place.

I am also pleased to welcome two new contributors to our Magazine, Ashley Hall from The Paranormal Guide and Brother Truth from Conspiracy Review.

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Janine Donnellan

Haunted Australian Shipwrecks



Did you know that surrounding Australia there are nearly 8000 registered wrecks, ranging in age from the 1600s to present day? With so many lives lost in traumatic circumstances one wonders how many of these shipwrecks are actually haunted.

We have often heard about mysterious ghost ships that sail the seas, often people have reported spectral images of ships that have

sunk and have been reported to still haunt the waters where they had sailed.

The Flying Dutchman is a classic tale which tells of a legendary ghost ship that can never make port, doomed to sail the oceans forever. Sightings in the 19th and 20th centuries reported the ship to be glowing with ghostly light. The sight of this phantom ship is said to be a portent of doom.

Here in Australia we have two reported haunted wrecks out of the thousands of wrecks. Perhaps there are more haunted wrecks out there waiting to be discovered. The thought of encountering a ghost underwater is quite scary and I am sure that many a diver has had a strange encounter but has kept it to him or herself.

The Yongala SS is perhaps one of Australia's best-known ghost ships. The final voyage was SS Yongala's 99th. It started on the 14th of March 1911 under the command of Captain William Knight. The appealing vessel left Melbourne, reached Brisbane on the 20th of March and Mackay on the 23rd. When it left the port at Mackay it was carrying 49 passengers and 73 members of the crew. It was then when the ship was last seen; SS Yongala was reported as missing on the 26th March 1911. Even if the government offered a substantial sum for information leading to the discovery of the ship, nobody knew where it went missing.



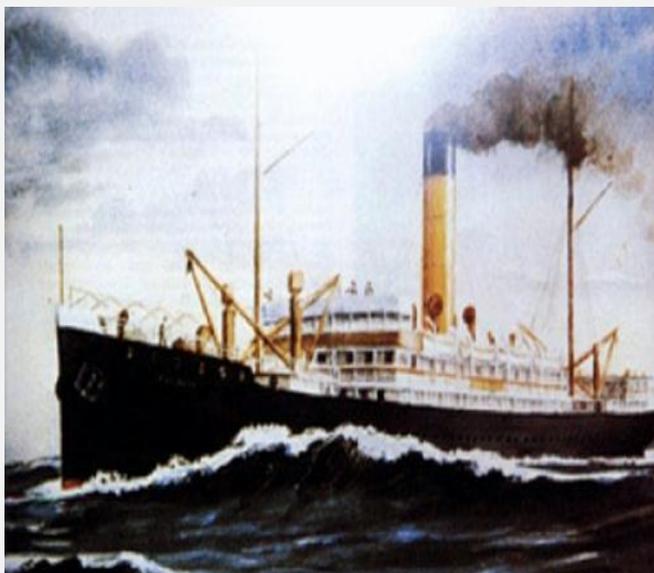
Alkimos a Greek-owned merchant ship was wrecked on the coast north of Perth, Western Australia in 1963. The wreck is a popular diving venue, and is also reputed to be haunted, making it of interest to paranormal investigators.

A variety of events and allegations throughout the vessel's history have given rise to it being regarded as being 'jinxed', cursed or haunted, both during its working life and since it was wrecked. This aspect is the main focus of present-day interest in the ship.

History

The ship was built during World War II by Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyards in Baltimore as part of the United States' Liberty ship program and was originally scheduled to be named George M. Shriver. It was launched on October 11, 1943. On October 20, the vessel was re-assigned to the Norwegian Shipping & Trade Mission, was re-christened Viggo Hansteen and saw war service for about 18 months, primarily in the Mediterranean and was crewed by mariners of various nationalities. It served as a troopship and transported cargo, in convoys that were sometimes attacked by German aircraft and U-boats.

A murder-suicide took place on board Viggo Hansteen in August 1944, while the ship was at Naples; Canadian radio operator Maude Steane is reported to have been shot by another crew member, who then killed himself.



The SS Yongala wreck was not discovered until 1947. In the years that followed its disappearance there were stories about a ghost ship moving on the waters between Bowen and Townsville. After World War II the wreck was discovered at approximately 30 meters within the Central section of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park. The bottom of the ship was ripped and so SS Yongala became an artificial reef, a unique habitat for marine life.

What about shipwrecks? Are they haunted too?

After the war it was sold to a Greek shipping company and renamed Alkimos, after a word meaning "strong" and a Greek god, Álkimos. As Alkimos, the ship plied the world's oceans for two decades. In March 1963, the vessel was on a voyage from Jakarta to Bunbury when it struck a reef off the Western Australian coast. It was salvaged and towed to Fremantle, the port city for Perth, where it underwent repairs for two months. After settlement of a dispute concerning payment for the repairs, the Alkimos left Fremantle under tow by an ocean-going tug from Hong Kong.

Only a few hours out of port, the tow line gave way and the Alkimos was driven onto the shore. Although the ship remained intact, it could not be floated off at that time, and so it was filled with water to secure it in place and left in the charge of an on-board caretaker. Another tug returned in January 1964 and the ship was refloated, but the planned journey to Manila had hardly begun when the tug was seized at sea by authorities and the Alkimos was left anchored. In May 1964, the vessel broke anchor and was driven onto the Eglinton Rocks near present-day Yanchep. On this occasion it was more severely damaged, and all thought of salvaging it intact was abandoned.

It was later sold by the owners for scrap. However, in 1969, salvage workers were driven off the wreck by a fire. One of the salvage workers also reported hearing ghostly noises. After that time, the partly dismantled remains of the ship sat in several metres of water, visible to visitors, but gradually disintegrating.

Is the Alkimos cursed and haunted?

There are many theories and speculations about the curse of the Alkimos. There have been speculations about a murder suicide on the ship, however there are also claims that two welders were sealed up between the inner and outer hull whilst the ship was being constructed. The constant changing of the ship's name has created speculation that she was unlucky from the date of her launch.

The ship seemed to have acquired a reputation as being haunted whilst she was

actively trading as Alkimos after the war. A series of ghost sightings were apparently made by the crew.

Regular references have been made on radio and television shows regarding the superstitions. Jack Wong Sue, who co-authored a book on the subject, has appeared on ABC television describing the various hauntings.

From a paranormal investigator's point of view most of the reported phenomena could easily be classified as a residual haunting.

Paranormal incidents include:

- apparitions of a small dog in the engine room during the ship's service;
- phenomena reported by salvage workers occupying the wreck, including: footsteps heard on ladders and following workers around the vessel at night
- cooking smells and noises emanating from the galley
- tools were reported to be moved by unseen hands
- an apparition of a human figure in rubber boots and oilskins (nicknamed "Harry"), has been seen.

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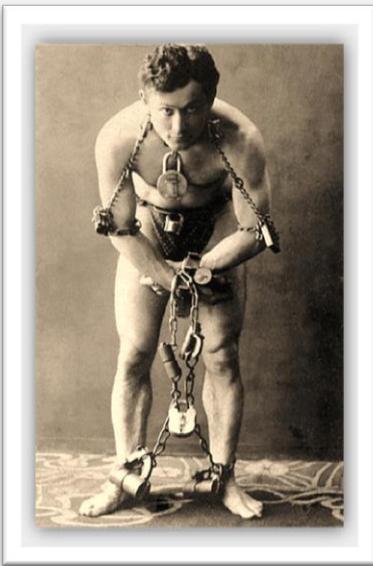
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HARRY HOUDINI MASTER MAGICIAN & PSYCHIC INVESTIGATOR By Janine Donnellan



As a young child I was fascinated with the movie about Harry Houdini, I am not one for magician's tricks but his escapes from unescapable situations had me perplexed.

Born Erik Weisz in Budapest March 24, 1874 – October 31, 1926; Harry emigrated to America on July 3, 1878 and became a famous stunt performer, noted for his sensational escape acts.



Houdini had a special affinity with his mother and after his mother's death in 1907, the great escape artist would spend the rest of his life in an unending search for a real

medium who could give him the contact he so desperately desired with his beloved mother, and provide proof of life after death. But his knowledge of the techniques of deception resulted in him exposing all mediums he encountered as fraudulent, and he never found the proof he so passionately wished for.

In the 1920s Houdini turned his focus toward debunking self-proclaimed psychics and mediums. He was a member of a Scientific American committee that offered a cash prize to any medium who could successfully demonstrate supernatural abilities. None were able to do so, and the prize was never collected.

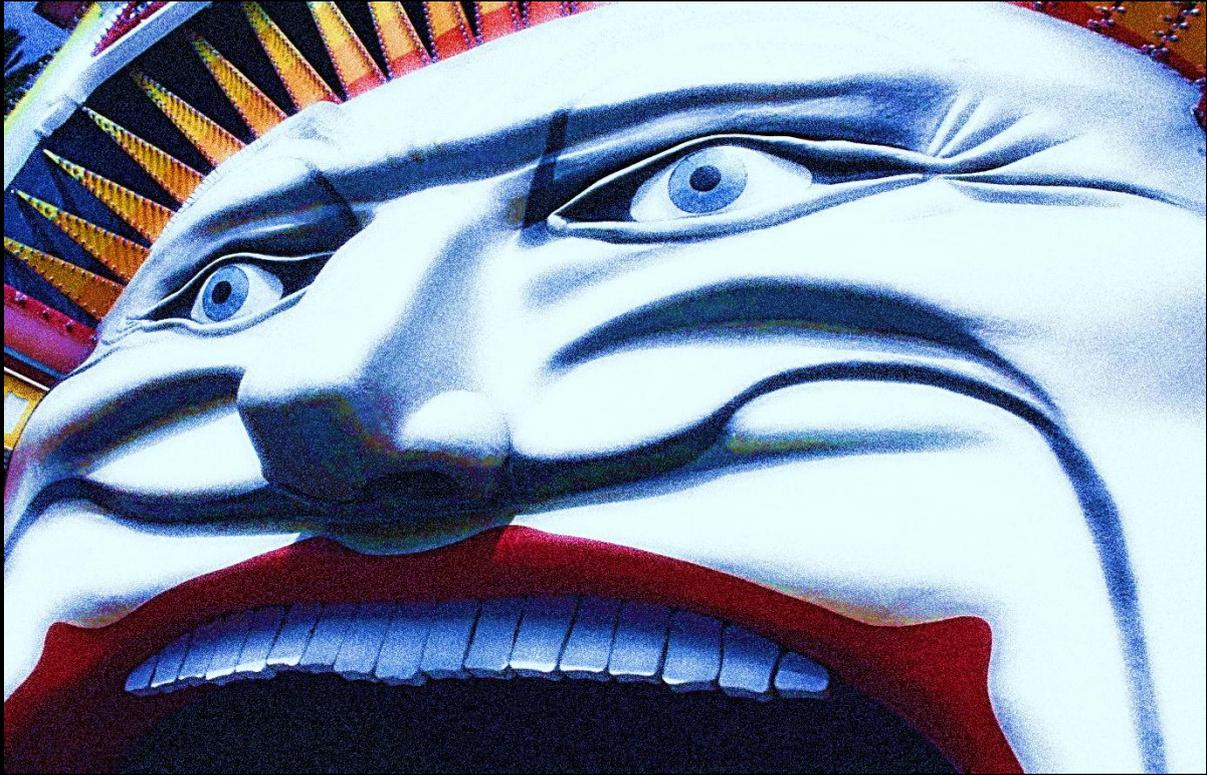
Houdini wrote about his debunking exploits in his book, *A Magician Among the Spirits*, co-authored with C. M. Eddy, Jr. (uncredited). Unfortunately, these activities cost Houdini the friendship of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Doyle, a firm believer in Spiritualism during his later years, refused to believe any of Houdini's revelations.

In spite of his anti-spiritualist campaign, Harry Houdini never relinquished hope that someday, evidence would be provided as proof of life in the hereafter. He announced his own intention to return after his own death, and establish communication from beyond the grave. Harry and his wife, Bess, even agreed upon a code they would use as proof that any such communication really did take place with whichever of them preceded the other into that unknown territory, the code was "Rosabelle believe". Before his death, Houdini stated that should it be possible to contact the living from the other side, he would do so.

Every October 31, from 1927 up to the present day, a séance has been conducted with hopes of contacting the spirit of Harry Houdini. This has been a tradition since the anniversary of his death when he died from peritonitis at the age of 52. So far, the great Houdini has not made his presence known.

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Mysteries of Melbourne & Sydney's Luna Park By Ashley Hall

The “Joker Ghost” of Luna Park, St Kilda VIC

Luna Park in St Kilda is the first of the four Luna Parks built across Australia; opened in 1912 it only took a few decades before stories of a resident ghost began to circulate.

Although Luna Park in Sydney is well known for its Ghost Train fire tragedy that took place in 1979 and killed 6 children and one adult, Luna Park Melbourne is very well known for its resident 'joker' ghost.

A quick search through various books and media stories about Luna Park in Melbourne reveals the tale of a strange figure who would suddenly appear in front of oncoming cars on

the Scenic Railway Rollercoaster. This mischievous character would also suddenly appear inside the cages on the ferris wheel startling all who witnessed it.

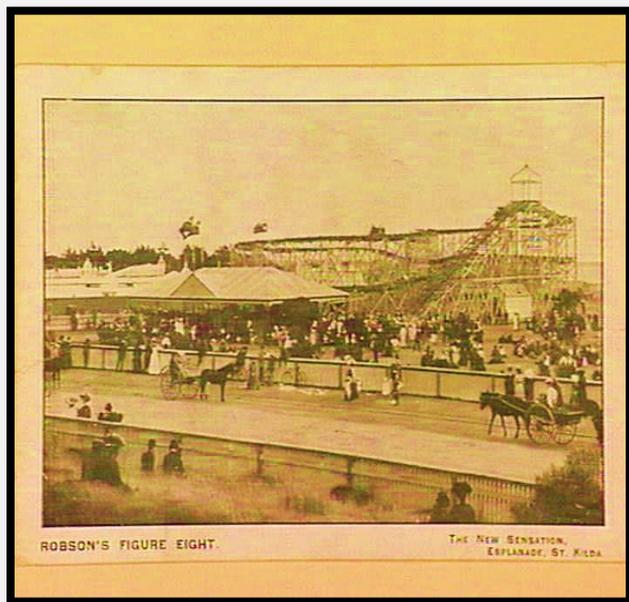
As far as can be ascertained the joker ghost started his appearances somewhere in the 1940's and even then this rough estimate is very tenuous. We only know of this date as forums from the 1990's put the sightings down to 'about 50 years ago'.

Who could this joker ghost be?

Some of the witnesses accused the park management of being behind the trick as a publicity stunt but the park denied all knowledge. Making a person suddenly appear and disappear on a ride would be quite a feat considering the lofty heights the ferris wheel can tackle.

If we take a look at the parks history maybe that will reveal to us a few clues as to the Joker Ghost's identity.

European Settlement began in the area known today as St Kilda in 1840. At the time the terrain was boggy swampland and in its earliest years was used as a rubbish dump. Several years later the swamp was filled in and in 1884 became crown land reserved for public recreational use.



In 1906 Mr Erle Sigismond Salambo was granted the lease and on 2nd November that same year opened Dreamland, St Kilda's first amusement park. Dreamland did not do as well as Salambo had expected and even with its many amusements, slot machines, novelty band and very elaborate towers, minarets and pagodas was closed down within a year of opening operations. Dreamland was soon demolished and the land went unused for the next five years.

In 1911 J.D. Williams Amusement Company secured a ten year lease on the land for use as a 'Steeplechase Park' similar to the one on Coney Island in the US. Besides the artificial horse ride that surrounded the boundaries the

park incorporated many attractions including picture theatres, a roller skating rink and would also feature motor shows. Unfortunately the company had to abandon the artificial horse track as it was deemed unsafe and after losing this main attraction a new plan was needed: Luna Park Ltd. was formed.

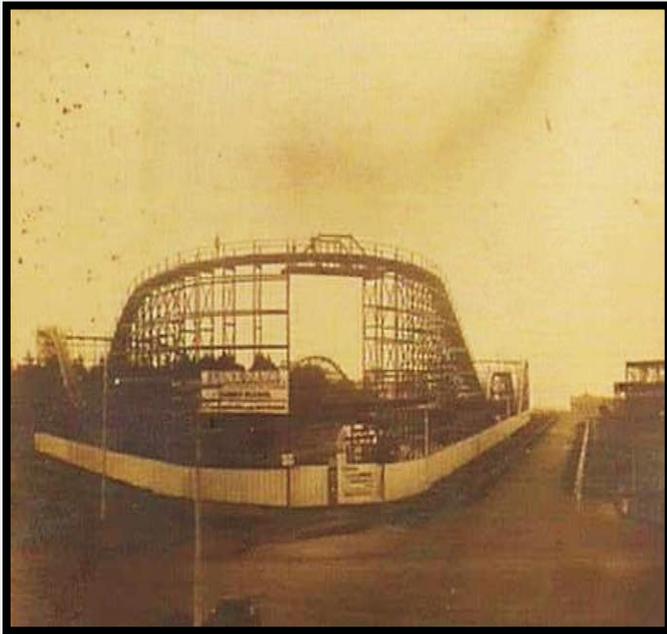


Luna Park in St Kilda was the first of the Australian Luna Parks and was opened December 13 1912 when 22,000 people passed through the mouth of 'Mr Moon' and life 'Just for Fun' had begun. The park had many attractions including the Scenic Rail Rollercoaster with a track almost a mile in length (the oldest continually operating roller coaster in the world) that bordered the parks boundaries.

Since its opening night the park has run almost continually but like most amusement parks this amusement park is not without its accidents resulting in death.

December 16, 1913 Snake Charmer Henry Deline was taken to the Alfred Hospital in a comatose state after being bitten on the throat by one of his Tiger Snakes during a performance. Deline being a veteran of snakebites (being bitten twice before in the previous two weeks) tried telling the doctors how he had cured himself the previous times. Unfortunately the doctors could not understand much of what he had to say.

Mr Clarence Hurst was killed on the Scenic Railway Rollercoaster in January 1926 after he turned around to speak to someone behind him. As he was half hanging out of the car his head was struck by one of the coasters supports. The man next to him grabbed hold of his legs to stop him from falling out but Hurst was already dead.



The Big Dipper was another of the parks rollercoasters and in March of 1935 it too saw a fatality. Mr M Dyer, 21, fell out of the car at the highest point of the ride and fell 74 feet to his death. He died of multiple broken bones, internal injuries and a severed leg.

The following year Harry Maltby died when he fell out of one trolley car to be struck by another.

1940 saw the most curious of all the parks deaths. Mrs Elizabeth Patrick was walking out of the park and along the street when she suddenly complained that she was going to collapse. Her final words to her husband Earnest Patrick were 'Get me out quick, I'm fainting.' before promptly hitting the pavement.

At the time Elizabeth Patrick had fainted a Luna Park superintendent was collecting ticket money from the cashiers aided by three park attendants. One of the attendants, Keith

Eagle, left the group in order to tell three youths to move on and leave the park after they had made a disturbance. The leader of the three youths Edward Paulin told Eagle that they were doing no wrong and why should they leave. Eagle pulled out his firearm (carried when the park was full and he was escorting money transportation) and fired a shot. Edward Paulin threw two bottles at Eagle who fired another shot.

This second shot hit a person witnessing the events in the hand. After firing this second shot Eagle handed his firearm to another of the park attendants, Alexander Porter, who shot himself in the leg when putting it into his pocket.

Three shots were fired that night and three people were hit. The first shot had in fact hit and killed Elizabeth Patrick. Her husband only learning of this when a doctor at the hospital had told him his wife had been shot!

The result of the following trial was that death was due to misadventure and the only thing Eagle was guilty of was carelessness (just short of criminal negligence). The park changed its method of escorting money shortly after.

It would seem anything can happen at Luna Park.

As for the Joker Ghost, well, it is said by some that his appearances stopped within the year while others claim that he is still around. The park does not generally make mention of their celebrity apparition except at around halloween time. Perhaps they continue his legend as a publicity stunt after all?

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Luna Park Sydney

Luna Park is a family friendly amusement park located on Sydney Harbour Foreshore. The concept and style of the amusement park was modelled after the original Coney Island Luna Park in New York. Sydney's is the third 'Luna Park' to be built in Australia after Luna Park Melbourne (1912) and Luna Park Glenelg (1930).

Luna Park Sydney (opened as Luna Park Milsons Point) opened with immediate success on the 4th October, 1935. Many of the rides and attractions had been relocated from the Glenelg site which went into liquidation a year earlier after trouble with the council and local residents.

The site had previously been occupied by the construction yards and sheds used for the building of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Once the bridge had been completed the sheds were demolished and applications for tenders were received to develop the site. It was the people responsible for Luna Park Glenelg

that won the contract and the park was constructed over a three month period.

Originally Luna Park only opened for nine months of the year, closing for the winter months; in 1972 it was opened all year round. During the 1950's the park started to see a decline in attendance due to the increasing availability of other forms of entertainment in the form of television. In 1969 the park was sold and the new owners sought to develop the site into a multi storey trade centre. The application for development was overturned and the park stayed open for another decade until tragedy hit and the park was closed.

On June 9 1979 a fire broke out on the Ghost Train at about 10:15pm. The ride was at capacity as the smoke billowed out from the doors and through the roof. The fire completely consumed the ride.



The photo was taken at the ferry just before the boy visited the park.



At 11:30pm, about one hour after the fire had started it was brought under control and seven bodies were recovered: John Godson, his two children, Damien (6) and Craig (4), and College students Jonathon Billings, Richard Carroll, Michael Johnson, and Seamus Rahilly. Their deaths were caused by either damage suffered from direct burns or carbon monoxide poisoning.

The bodies were not recovered from the train cars but rather the victims had left them in order to find a quicker exit. The cause of the fire was never conclusively discovered but it was stated that even if the victims had stayed in the cars they would not have fared any better as the cars were seen to exit the ride on fire.

There have been many theories about the cause of the fire from the mundane; electric faults, cigarettes igniting props to the more sinister; arson committed by Sydney underworld figure Abe Saffron or a ritual sacrifice to the ancient Ammonite god 'Moloch'.

It is the last theory that has gotten most of the spotlight in recent years. The ritual sacrifice of children to the god would take place in a giant oven depicted as a giant bull. The children would be placed inside the 'oven' or in the figures arms to burn to death.

The theory was started after a picture was dug up, possibly the last ever taken of one of the young boys killed in the fire, shown standing next to a figure dressed in a strange horned bull like mask complete with horns.

To add more interest to the theory a boy by the name of Marshall Said (16) stated that a car with two young boys was still let into the ride, the last car to do so, even after he had signalled to the operator that there was a fire. The last issue of the Sydney's 'The Sun' Newspaper featured a story on the front page titled "Occult Link to Luna Park/Ghost Train fire"

Luna Park closed after the tragedy but reopened in the eighties. It underwent several more closures and reopening's until 2004 when it reopened and remains so till this day.

Is it haunted?

Unlike Melbourne's Luna Park which had its famous 'Joker Ghost' the hauntings at the park are relatively low key. They are generally of a more personal nature with people experiencing strange whispers in their ear in the vicinity of the 'Big Top' built on the location of the old Ghost Train.

There is not a lot more to say except by Jennifer Poidevin who is the mother of the two boys who along with her husband, died in the fire.

"We asked Damien and Craig what ride they'd like to go on again, they chose the Ghost Train. Little did I know... For some reason, suddenly I felt like an ice-cream. I asked the others if they wanted one, but they

said no. I asked them to wait for me, but when I turned around they were gone.

I don't know why they didn't wait for me, as we'd been on every ride together that night. It still haunts me to this day. Something spiritual took over. Divine intervention? For some reason, I was not meant to die that night."

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In the podcasts Ashley's role is as the lead host and tries to keep things running smoothly although this is not always straightforward and possible with a team so passionate about paranormal subjects. He is a skeptic.

What Ash says:

"I have had an interest in the paranormal for a very long time but found it frustrating that

sources of information were either hard to navigate, hard to understand (too much jarg

on), hard to digest and some are just plain outright boring. I am hoping we can provide a site and facebook page where those problems I faced are hopefully eliminated.

This is not a site to replace other sites on the net but rather a good place to start with generalised information presented in a straightforward and easy to navigate way.

I also love to make movies so soon the website and facebook page shall be filled with all manner of mini docos about the various topics we shall be covering.

As for my personal goals within the paranormal field well I guess I am just like most of the other people out there. Getting hard and complete answers to the mysteries would be great but from here I am more enjoying the journey. I tend to believe that should those answers present themselves we will just end up with more questions in the long run."

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Australiana Pioneer Village By Nic Hume

Australiana Pioneer Village is located in Rose St, Wilberforce. At the entrance stands Rose Cottage which dates back to 1811. The village is the brainchild of Bill McLachlan, who in the late 1960s went on a collection rampage to save many of the Hawkesbury's colonial buildings from either demolition or pure neglect. Bill had them transported to create a small town that symbolised what it was like to live in pioneering Australia. The village consists of a Church, Bank, Post Office, Police Station, Shearing Shed, Blacksmiths, Barbers, Brothel, Lolly Shop and one of Australia's oldest barns to name a few.

When APPI – Australian Paranormal Phenomenon Investigators set out to investigate the village we spent a lot of time talking to locals and volunteers at the village as well as researching the history of the actual buildings and the land. Our plan for the night was to use ourselves as triggers by dressing as pioneering men and women, preachers, teachers...eek and prostitutes! To

see what energy we could raise and ultimately what evidence of paranormal activity we could capture.

We conducted our first group vigil in the Church. The townsfolk took their places in the pews and the preacher cited bible verses. During this vigil two ladies who volunteer at the village on a regular basis had the feeling of uneasiness, sickness in the stomach and one felt she was being stroked on the head. One of the ladies stated "I have spent over ten years, day and night, in the church and never felt this before". We had cameras stationed in the Church during this time and kept them running after we vacated and headed to the next vigil. Upon perusal of video footage there was unexplained music that came up on the audio. It lasted for approximately 5 seconds, faded then returned. It sounded like old church music.

Next we spent some time in the old Marsden Park Public School. The school was named

after Samuel Marsden, who was called the flogging parson because of his strict approach to religion. Inside the school you'll find original desks and chairs, a chalk board and artefacts found in the local area. It was built to have the windows up high so the students were not able to be distracted by the outside world.

This vigil began with Miss Stephanie reading to the class. There was one student who was disruptive and was punished and made stand at the front of the room. Miss Nic took over and had the class recite their times tables. All during this vigil we had hand held cameras with IR lights monitoring the vigil. There was one point when I was at the front of the class with my camera pointed at the class and as I panned left to right you notice one of the students become distressed, it so happened that this girl felt a hand clasp around her calf. After calming her down the class played a game of heads down thumbs up. During this game there was a lot of laughter and energy was raised. At one point there were two ladies who claimed their thumbs were pinched, but, those in charge of doing the pinching stated that they did not touch those ladies. It is interesting that these ladies were sitting at the back of the room where shuffling could be heard by most of the participants.

We spent the next part of the night in small group vigils where each team was allocated a cottage and tasks to complete. Many of our participants reported personal experiences that were recorded in their experience books. They were not to discuss what occurred in small group vigil until all the groups had finished all cottages and tasks. It was interesting to see similarities in experiences between groups and individuals in particular cottages. This village is a wonderfully active location.

After our investigation The Friends of The Australiana Pioneer Village Society Inc. decided to conduct Ghost Tours at the village. They start running again in March 2013 on a bi-monthly basis. Cost is \$25 per adult with a light supper provided. Even if you can't get to a tour, the village is open pretty much every Sunday and well worth the trip out to Wilberforce. If you are lucky to head out there on a quiet day...or later in the day when many have ventured home...you will find the space to spend time alone in the buildings taking in the history and hopefully connecting with those who watch over this amazing old Australiana village.



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Taunton Castle

by
Steve Millard



Being a born and bred Taunton boy I have had many a trip to Taunton Castle as both a child on school trips and later as an adult when I would take my own family there. I had heard the stories told over the years of the place from the English Civil War to Judge Jeffreys and the Bloody Assizes but had paid very little attention. It was not until recent times when the Most Haunted team paid a visit to the castle and along with medium David Wells had some interesting experiences that re-kindled my interest in the old place.

When the Anglo Saxons founded Taunton on the banks of the River Tone they had a defensive structure in the area but when the Normans came for a visit they built the first stone structured castle. By 1600 the castle had fallen into ruin and it was not rebuilt again until the English Civil War as yet another defensive position. This was probably the most defining point in the castle's history and it's from here that a lot of the paranormal activity relates to.

The Monmouth rebellion of 1685 resulted from Charles II dying and not having a legitimate heir to the throne. The ruling monarchy was therefore passed to Charles II's brother who was James II. James Duke of Monmouth who was the illegitimate son of Charles II felt aggrieved and thus the English civil war began when Monmouth tried to regain what he presumed was rightfully his - the throne.





Rebel soldier's (1st photo), and royalist soldiers (2nd photo).

History of course tells us he failed and what followed was the Bloody Assizes.



Judge Jeffreys was appointed by James II to track down rebel soldiers and those that aided them. What followed earned the cruel Jeffreys the title "The Hanging Judge". In the period that followed 200 people were hung, mostly in Taunton and 800 were

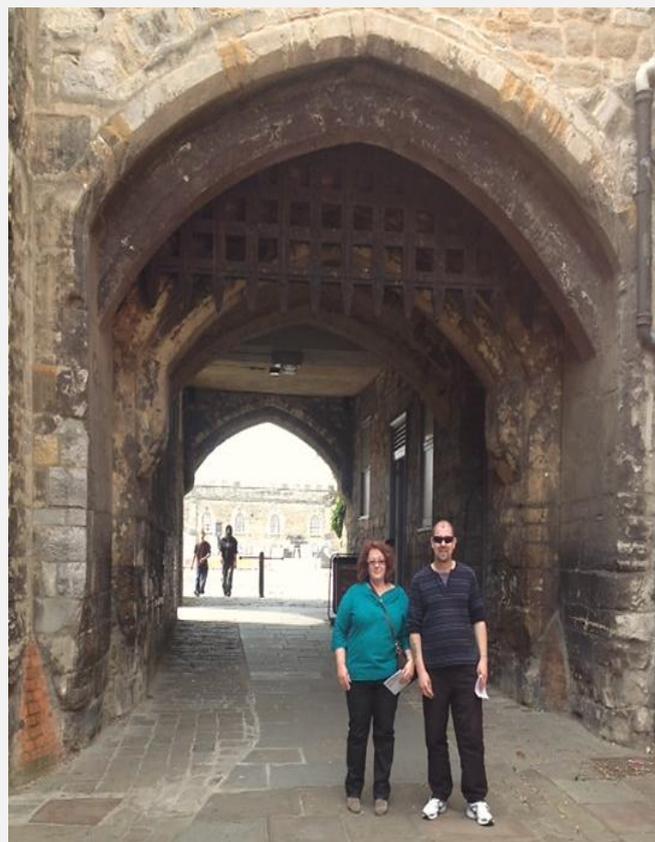
transported to the West Indies. The Duke of Monmouth was sent to London where he was beheaded, allegedly taken three blows of the axe to complete the task. A local 70 year old woman who gave refuge to 2 rebel soldiers after the battle of Sedgemoor was beheaded as a result of being discovered by the judge.

Judge Jeffreys became so notorious that eventually the people rebelled against him. He had to take shelter in the tower of London where he eventually died of kidney disease. A suitable demise of what some would call a sadistic murderer who enjoyed his work a little bit too much.

This has led to many tales of paranormal activity over the years from ghost sightings of the judge himself as well as phantom battles replaying around the battle of Sedgemoor site.

The Castle itself which is a museum containing many local artefacts was the focus of a Most Haunted show and David Wells was quick to pick up on a very oppressive and negative energy thought to be the hanging judge himself. The episode itself can be viewed at this website: <http://www.veoh.com/watch/v3276303Jj2nexK?h1=Most+Haunted+Taunton+Castle>

Following this episode I was lucky enough to be there with my daughter and witnessed first hand some unexplained knocking in an empty room now housing exhibits.



In September 2012 I was again lucky to be able to visit the castle with Janine Donnellan

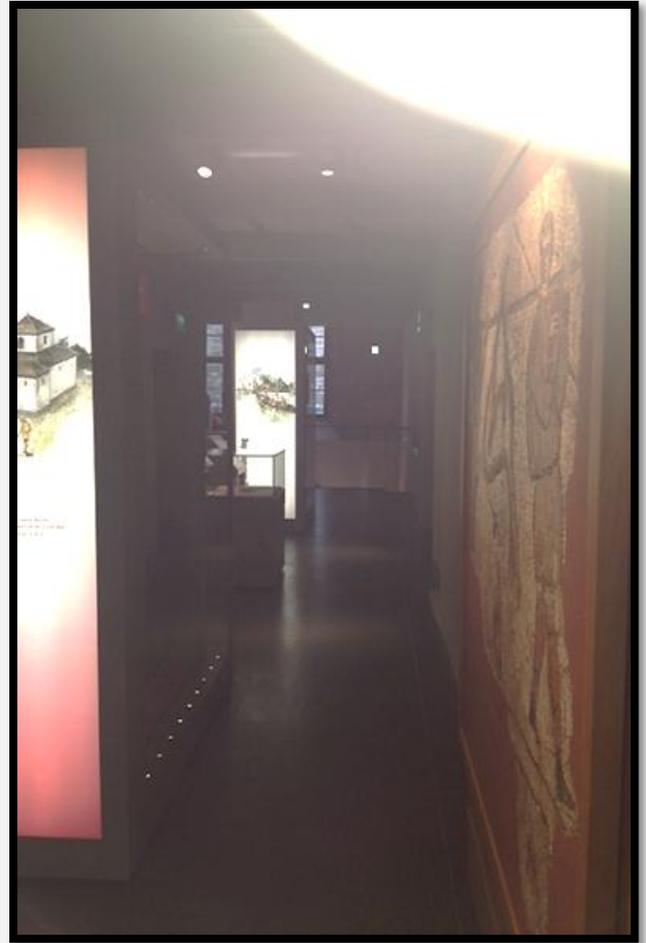
from our very own SOuL S.P.I and some good friends sharing our trip. While travelling along an upstairs corridor our K2 meter measuring electromagnetic energy suddenly had a maximum reading without any visible source creating it. At the same time Janine felt a firm hand on her behind (and no, it wasn't mine before you ask) followed by a cold temperature change between us that caused the hairs on my arm to prickle.

Reflecting back, it was an interesting experience that we had trouble finding non paranormal explanations for.

Sadly the museum does not run organised ghost tours and since the Most Haunted episode they have tried to discourage further interest in such things.

The picture opposite is the corridor where Janine and I had the experience.

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<http://www.minehead-online.co.uk/judge.htm>
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Australian Ghostlore

In the quaint coastal township of Shellharbour NSW, runs the Bloody Mile. A stretch of road between the Minnamurra River and the railway station is where over 13 gruesome murders took place in the early pioneering days. It was said that no right minded traveller would pass that way after night fall as the ghostly moaning noises would be too much for any man to handle.



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“Achoo!” “Bless you!” - Superstitions by Nic Hume

In Elizabethan times it was believed that if one was to sneeze with their mouth open it would allow ease of passage for the devil to enter the body without harmful provocation. Hence the saying of ‘bless you’ or ‘god bless you’ would make the sneeze with open mouth a blessed place and avoid possible possession of the devil.

Superstition can be described as Supernatural Causality: the belief that one event will, without physical process, lead to the cause of another.

In the 1st century *superstitio* or *superstitio vana* (vain superstition) was used to describe

religious cults in the Roman Empire. Early Christianity officially outlawed this. The Greeks and Romans relate superstition to religion by taking the meaning to come from a fear of scorn if god is disobeyed. To take superstition to a level where it consumes normality was said to be a perverse excess of religion.

Customary belief, religion, old wives tales; no matter the origin of a superstition it would be fair to guesstimate that the majority of the human race has obeyed a superstition at least once in their lifetime. Upon researching popular superstitions it was apparent that

many were foreboding of bad luck if a particular event took place.

- Avoid walking under ladders – A ladder placed against a wall creates a triangle and to walk through that triangle was believed to be a violation of the Holy Trinity, sacrilege. Egyptians cherished the triangle symbol, to them the triangle represented the trinity of the gods and to pass through one was to desecrate them. During the crucifixion of Christ a ladder was rested against the crucifix, symbolizing wickedness, betrayal and death. In England during the 1600s, criminals were forced to walk under a ladder on their way to the gallows.

- If a black cat crosses your path you will have bad luck – Many cultures agree that black cats are powerful omens. The Ancient Egyptians believed that all cats were a sign of good luck. King Charles I kept a black cat as a pet and when it died it was said that his luck lamented as the very next day he was arrested and charged with high treason. It was during the Middle Ages throughout Europe that cats, especially black cats, became bad luck. Black cats were the companions of witches or even witches in disguise and that for a black cat to cross ones path was said to bring bad luck.

- It's bad luck to open an umbrella indoors – This traces back to Ancient Egypt and the superstitions that surrounded Pharaohs. The sunshades of the day were bulky and difficult to maneuver, much the same as in Victorian times when an umbrella was opened indoors they were clumsy and dangerous either breaking fragile ornaments or even injuring people in its path. The bad luck is said to come from unpleasant words and quarrels that would follow such an event.

- Seven years bad luck if you break a mirror – This arose from the belief that a mirror can take in part of the human soul. In early times when there was a death in a home all the mirrors would be covered or turned to the wall to prevent the soul of the newly deceased becoming trapped in the mirror. Whilst there are numerous

superstitions with regards to mirrors the most common is breaking one brings seven years bad luck. To overturn this it is believed that one is to take a piece of the mirror to a cemetery, crush it into a powder and bury it.

- If you spill salt, toss a pinch over your left shoulder to avoid bad luck – Dating back to 3,500BC, the ancient Sumerians wanted to nullify bad luck and began to throw a pinch over their left shoulder. This ritual came forth with the Egyptians, Assyrians and the Greeks. In times gone by salt was considered a prized seasoning for food and was highly valued and that to spill some was considered as a loss of value and worth.

- Don't place hat on a bed - There are many different superstitions regarding hats, from removing them as a sign of respect and where to place them. This stems from the fact that the bed looks like a coffin and hats are placed on the coffin of a soldier as a sign of respect. It is a common belief that to place a hat of a bed bad luck will forebode.

- Knock on wood – To knock on wood is thought to be a protection from bad luck. This comes from the belief that good spirits reside in trees, nature spirits.

These are only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to superstitions. Thousand year old beliefs still carry on today. I'm sure many of you avoid walking on cracks so you don't break your mothers back or struggle to remember if it's an itchy right or left palm brings money. There are those who take these age-old beliefs as gospel and eccentrically avoid harmless things to get by each day and there are those who think its all hogwash. Either way it's interesting to know where superstitions stem from as they are rich in history and help form the make up of what we believe today.

<http://www.superstitionsof.com/egyptian-superstitions.htm>

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Uncovering the ghosts in Newcastle by Renata Daniel

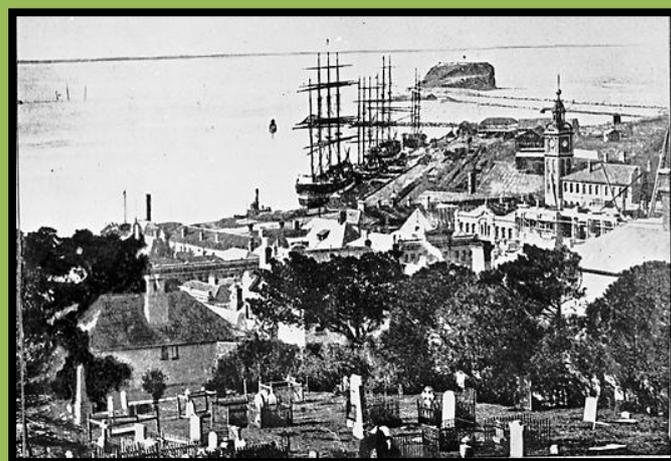
I have spent the last two years investigating and searching for stories and evidence of ghostly activities in Newcastle. From my own personal dalliances with those on the other side of the veil to the masses of stories I am accumulating that people tell me whilst attending one of my tours I am pretty sure that our town is full of them!

Newcastle was originally named King's Town and a settlement started with a small band of convicts and military in 1801 but disbanded only six months later after a near mutiny. It was restarted in 1804 with a larger contingent and a real need to rid the colony in Sydney of those bothersome Irish Catholics that had instigated a rebellion at Vinegar Hill.



Newcastle's first years were ones of isolation and misery with the cat of nine tails and leg irons keeping the convicts in check and relieving them of any desire to live.

Sentencing to Newcastle meant being taken to Sydney's Siberia, to the Camp, to work in hard labour for a term of at least seven years with drastic food restrictions and malevolent Commandants waiting for any excuse to punish. Sydney seemed like a paradise compared to the living conditions in Newcastle.



Things only improved when the township became a free settlement in the mid 1820's and an influx of free men came to seek their fortunes often bypassing the township to head out to the fertile soils of Maitland, Morpeth and Raymond Terrace.

Newcastle has been left with a brutal and rich history built on blood, sweat and tears and not many people know about it.

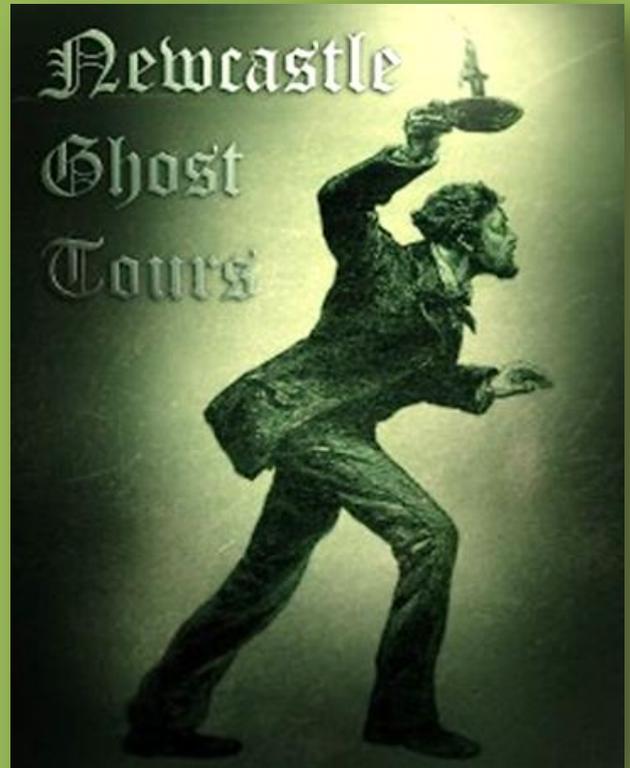


Newcastle Ghost Tours does an East End Tour that takes people to the places where those convicts worked, slept, lived and died. It's a 2 ½ hour tour that often drifts into 3 hours as we walk the same streets and stop at active spots where the energies of those first settlers seem to be stuck in time.

Both skeptics and believers will find this tour interesting. We have conducted investigations at many sites along the way and I share our findings. But more often than not it's the reactions and experiences of those on tour that are the most intense.

The stories are enough to get everyone's imaginations working overtime. In the first year it seemed to be mostly local people who

joined me on tour, but now I am seeing more people from Sydney and the Central Coast. I am also available to take small groups out on any night of the week – so if you are coming to Newcastle to enjoy the beaches, call me and see another side of our city - the side that Novocastrians have been trying to hide for over 200 years but the side that I find totally fascinating.



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The different types of Paranormal Investigation Teams

By Janine Donnellan



TV shows such as Ghost Hunters and Most Haunted have definitely brought paranormal investigations out of the closet and into the world of the general public. This type of media exposure has been responsible for creating a whole new scene of paranormal investigators, who may or may not have any prior paranormal training and or experience.

There are many different types of paranormal groups now, some are just cyber groups and others are active groups conducting real investigations. If you run or are in a paranormal team have you ever thought about what type of investigation team you are?

Types of Paranormal Teams:

Research Investigations

These investigations are usually performed by experienced paranormal investigators, who are looking at the investigation from from a scientific/logical perspective. They allocate a considerable amount of their time on analysing and reporting on all evidence collected.

Spiritual investigations

This type of investigation is generally performed by groups of a particular spiritual belief system which can include people from a variety of religious backgrounds utilising the services of clergy or from a plethora of New Age/Pagan practitioners utilising a variety of healing/clearing modalities. The investigation usually involves eliminating whatever might

be causing the paranormal activity by conducting a ritual based clearing such as a house blessing. This type of investigation may include some type of exorcism.

Psychic Investigations

These teams often utilize the services of mediums or people with a variety of psychic abilities to tap in and sense any supernatural activity.

The team usually has at least one medium/psychic within the team and they determine what is going on with that particular location. Their sensory abilities may include being clairaudient, clairvoyant, clairsentient or claircognisant, or a combination of these abilities.

Field Parapsychology

Field Parapsychology incorporates aspects of all investigation techniques described above. The goal here is to determine initially if the activity is through some logical interference and then if that aspect is ruled out then they can look at possible paranormal, or some other forms of explainable natural phenomena.

Once the obvious explanation has been eliminated then they would endeavour to establish what kind of paranormal activity is occurring. They would record data (photos, footages, audio records and so on), then try to find a solution to the problem which could include conducting a clearing. This type of investigation team would analyse the data collected and give a report on their findings.

Debunking Teams

Usually carried out by sceptics. This type of paranormal investigation is to debunk all allegations of paranormal activity and to find a rational explanation to all such claims of paranormal activity.

Past Life Regression

By Nic Hume



I was fortunate enough to attend a workshop by Dr Brian Weiss in 2011. If you've not heard of Dr Weiss I recommend you check him out. He would have to be one of the kindest peaceful souls I've ever come across. Very calm and softly spoken he discussed what has become his life's passion – Past Life Regression (PLR). During the workshop we underwent a number of meditations to build up our understanding of the lives we lived before this one. In his book 'Many lives, Many masters' he tells of how astonished and skeptical he was when one of his patients recalled past-life traumas that were the key in her current life's nightmares and anxiety attacks. Dr Weiss became intrigued when his patient began to channel messages in between lives that contained revelations for Dr Weiss and his family that involved his deceased son. In learning all this from his patient he embarked on a journey of research into reincarnation, PLR, future life

progression and survival of the human soul after death.

So for one to believe in PLR, surely one would have to believe in reincarnation. Many religions acknowledge that the soul reincarnates many times in order to learn a number of things, resolve issues, purify itself and find its way back to God. Upon death does the soul return home and await the next birth? What came first death or birth? How many lives have I had? Do I get frequent flyers? How could I have been Hannibal in one life and Mother Teresa in the next? This is a pseudoscience that can do one's head in for sure.

Psychiatrist Ian Stevenson conducted over 2,500 case studies in reported reincarnation over a 40 year period. His main line of study was in the reporting of young children who claim to remember a past life. According to Stevenson, these childhood memories of

reincarnation occur between the ages of 3 and 7 then fade. During the study Stevenson would investigate and compare the reported memories with people known to the deceased (the child's previous life) and attempt to make a connection. Stevenson found that a vast majority of these cases involved violent and untimely deaths. Remarkably 35% of the subjects had corresponding birthmarks or birth defects that related to the death in the previous life. These ranged from small discolorations to major defects that reflected the nature of death in the child's previous life. Stevenson went on to write twelve books on the subject.

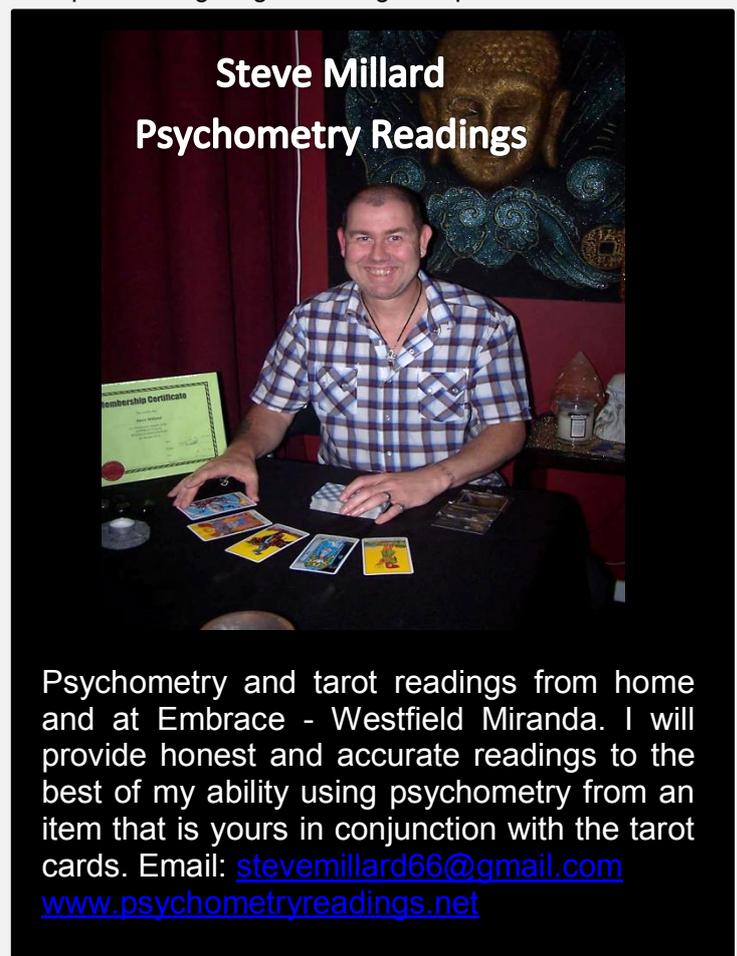
Ever had that feeling like you've been here before? Those who are pro-PLR believe that entering a state of hypnosis or meditation to recover memories of previous incarnations can lead to a better understanding of phobias and the like as well as finding meaning in their current life. PLR is said to be a key to unlocking your oldest memories to help you heal and understand your soul. PLR can also help you recognize why you are drawn to the people you currently have in your life. All of us are drawn to the people with whom we have past karma. This could be a lucky feat and we are drawn to our twin flame over and over or sometimes not so lucky and we are rebounded from one hurtful relationship to another. In a sense is it thought that we have to learn the karmic lesson or are required to pay a karmic debt. PLR is something that can help with understanding why you are in constant struggle and grow from it and move on.

Those who are non-PLR believers agree that such memories are just fantasy and delusion, repressed memories or cryptomnesia. The use of suggestive questioning whilst in a hypnotized state to reveal the identity of events is similar to the method used in recovered memory therapy, this can lead to a misrepresentation of memory and constructed recollections. Researchers have investigated the 'memories' from PLR studies and it was found that such memories hold historical inaccuracies or were vague and hold no true detail that can be traced. Repressed memory is a memory that has been dissociated from awareness or oppressed due to their traumatic nature.

Studies by the American Psychological Association have found that it is not currently possible to distinguish a true repressed memory from a false one without bonafide evidence. Cryptomnesia is the return of a forgotten memory that the subject believes is a new memory. So the subject may have received distinction in their thesis on Joan of Arc but had a bout of cryptomnesia and recalled her life as Joan as a past life memory in amazing detail.

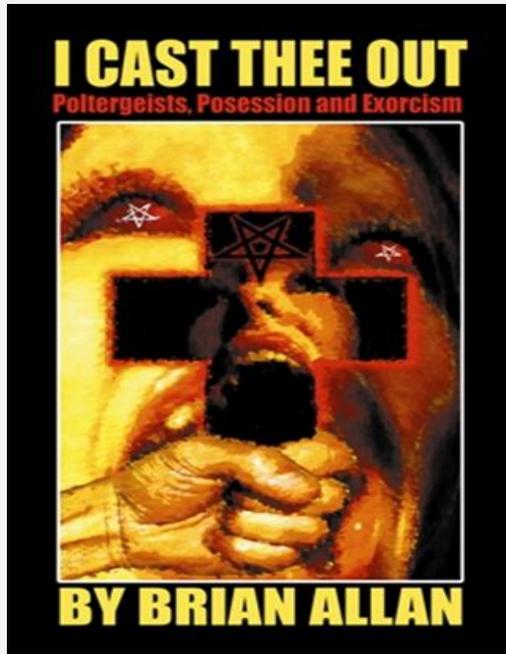
I have completed a few PLR meditations myself with the most detailed one led by Dr Weiss. As with everything, I sit on the fence of belief and disbelief, as there is always good argument for and against. My memories felt real and I could recognize people in my current life in my past lives even though our relationships were somewhat different. The emotion of experiencing PLR first hand is real and raw. Depending on if you are recalling a good life or one full of pain and sorrow it is an amazing experience to say the least. Enter with an open mind.

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I Cast Thee Out - by Brian Allan
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The history of exorcism goes back well over 2000 years and can be attributed first to the polytheistic priests who operated in Babylon (Modern day Iraq). In the opinion of these holy men most forms of mental illness were the direct result of an otherworldly entity invading an unwitting host and could be removed from the victim with the use of specific rituals.

Some of the first instances of exorcism often involved what we would call “sympathetic magic”. The priests would make a tablet out of clay and command the invading entity to enter it. When it was concluded that the spirit was now inside the tablet – they would destroy it, thus supposedly destroying the unwanted presence.

I Cast Thee Out by Brian Allan provides a balanced in-depth look into the history of exorcism, citing some very interesting cases from all over the globe. Although not often publicised, many religions have their own form of exorcism

and in this book Allan presents an impressive catalogue of research. From the first exorcisms ever performed to the last witch burning in Ireland in 1885 – this text renders most other works on the subject obsolete.

In the second half of the book, Allan concentrates on a specific case in which he himself was involved. He first became aware of this case in 2010 when he received an email from a distraught lady in Mexico complaining about strange phenomena in her home. After some investigation and much correspondence it was decided that the house in which the woman lived was possessed. Allan contacted two mediums and eventually the situation progressed to the point where the only sensible option was to perform a remote exorcism. After a few failed attempts – the mediums and Brian Allan were eventually successful.

The last few pages contain some very engrossing information, including an English translation of the Latin *Rituale Romanum* which is the text used in traditional Catholic exorcisms. You may remember it being used by Fathers Karras and Merrin in the banned 1973 horror film “The Exorcist”.

Author Brian Allan is a paranormal investigator/author from Scotland who has been involved in some of the most interesting cases ever to occur in the British isles. He has written thousands of articles on paranormal /esoteric/Gnostic themes for well over 25 years and has compiled many stimulating books on a range of subjects.

I would strongly recommend this book to anyone interested in the ritual of exorcism, as well as anyone who likes to spook themselves occasionally. I have to admit, I hesitated when it came to turning the light off after reading it!

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Website: <http://ghosthuntingsource.com/>

Paranormal Groups within Australia

Below will be all the Paranormal Groups listed under each state. If you wish to be added to this list, please email accessparanormal@gmail.com

New South Wales

APPI - Australian Paranormal Phenomenon Investigators

The Australian Paranormal Phenomenon Investigators (APPI) are paranormal investigators who use a combination of scientific and spiritual methods to determine the existence of spirits around us.

Life experience, common sense and team work are our main instruments when investigating, and we enjoy working with other groups, in order to learn and develop our natural skills. We are open to any investigations, so please contact us for a confidential consultation.

<http://www.appi.org.au/>

Campbelltown Paranormal

Our team consists of sensitives, empaths as well as our skeptic. We investigate and document all aspects of the paranormal and we often unite with other teams on large investigations using specialised equipment. This includes full spectrum and IR cameras, still cameras and video, spirit boxes, EMF detectors and EVP recorders. We also specialize in house clearings as each member of our team have experienced hauntings and the feeling of being isolated and alone. We are local to Campbelltown and are always here to help!

<https://www.facebook.com/campbelltownparanormal>

Eastern States Paranormal (E.S.P)

Experienced Paranormal Investigative team dedicated to search for evidence of the paranormal and helping others with paranormal problems.

Friendship and honesty are important aspect of our team. Be sure to check out the website for other tours, our forum, photos and equipment!

<http://www.easternstatesparanormal.com.au/index.htm>

E.C.P.S - East Coast Paranormal Society

Our aim is to investigate places not for the purpose of labelling them as 'haunted' but rather as an opportunity to document and collect data to help us get a better understanding of the paranormal and to help others who are experiencing paranormal activity.

We do not think that everything that goes bump in the night is paranormal and we take a scientific approach to all investigations and will always try to debunk before we label something as paranormal. Our team of investigators are professional, dedicated, honest and reliable.

<http://www.facebook.com/?sk=lf#%21/pages/ECPS-East-Coast-Paranormal-Society/256240681066858?sk=wall>

Feminine Spirit Paranormal Investigators

Feminine Spirit is a paranormal Investigative team. Our teams vision is to provide our clients with professional and confidential service.

The girls in Feminine Spirit respect the sensitive issues that often arise when dealing with unexplainable events that can disrupt our daily lives, and believe that our clients' **well-being is of the utmost importance.**

Email: FeminineSpirit@hotmail.com.au

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/FeminineSpirits>

Ghost Study Australia

Ghost Study Australia is a Paranormal Investigations group based in the North/West NSW area of Australia since 2002. Ghost Study Australia Investigations are conducted free of charge and professionally using scientific methods and common sense in the hope to help our clients and prove or disprove Paranormal Activity.

www.ghoststudyaustralia.net

Email: dale@ghoststudyaustralia.net

Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Ghost-Study-Australia/153038111429450>

Haunted Australia

Our group is currently researching any locations brought to our attention and we are intending on traveling overseas end of this year to research some sites. Our location is just out of Sydney but will cover all areas.

Website: <http://www.haunted-australia.com.au/>

Hunter Paranormal

Hunter Paranormal Australian is dedicated and committed to the SCIENTIFIC, LOGICAL, UNBIASED Research and Investigation of paranormal phenomena. The goal of Hunter Paranormal Australia is to research, investigate, and document paranormal activity in an unbiased, logical, and scientific manner. Hunter Paranormal Australia advises that part proceeds from fees, paranormal investigations, introductory tours and donations etc. are directed towards the restoration of selected Pioneer Cemeteries, Historical Societies, Museums, etc within Australia. We also offer packages from an Introduction to the Paranormal to learning to be a Trainee Investigator.

Website <http://www.hunterparanormalaustralia.com.au/>

Lakes Investigators of the Paranormal

L.I.P.S is the brainchild of husband and wife team Nathan and Fay Johnson. As Lakes Investigators of

Paranormal Suggestion, we endeavour to find answers, both for ourselves and our clients.

Parramatta Paranormal Society

PPS (Parramatta Paranormal Society) is an organisation of Paranormal Investigators who focus on discovering the paranormal using scientific knowledge. We also like to maintain historical buildings and land. PPS was started by Sarah Sloan and Michael Sloan who also have a committed team who we appreciate and enjoy working with.

Based in Parramatta NSW we investigate throughout the state and we also conduct private investigations. PPS use a range of "Ghost Hunting equipment" to back up peoples experiences and encourage them come along and monitoring our investigations. With the use logical theories we debunk things that occur on our investigations such as sounds and pictures so we can be sure that something is Paranormal rather than jumping to the conclusion that something is haunted.

PPS work with a medium who knows nothing about the location prior to the investigation so we can get an understanding on how the psychic mind works.
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/parramatta-paranormal-society/164927327119>

Southern Tablelands Paranormal Research Society

Southern Tablelands Paranormal Research Society (SAiNT-PRS) - A Team Of Paranormal Investigators Dedicated To Investigating Paranormal Reports From The Southern Tablelands And Beyond.
<http://saint-prs.blogspot.com/>

SOuL S.P.I

SOuL S.P.I (SOuL Searchers Paranormal Investigations) undertakes paranormal investigations from a shamanic perspective. The SOuL S.P.I team conducts all investigations in a professional manner, adhering to the wishes of the client; we are also compassionate to the needs of the distressed spirit. We are based in Southern Sydney, Sutherland Shire, the Illawarra & surrounding areas in NSW. ALL investigations are conducted free of charge and therefore all members are volunteers.

SOuL S.P.I also produces a quarterly Paranormal eMagazine.
<http://soulsearchers.spheresoflight.com.au/index.php?page=SOuL-Searchers-Magazine>
<http://soulsearchers.spheresoflight.com.au/index.php?page=main>

Sydney South West Paranormal Investigators

We employ scientific and proven investigative methods to obtain indisputable evidence of the paranormal. We will investigate anywhere from private residence to historical sites, and this is at no cost to our clients. This service is free and always will be as it is our mission to help people in need and also educate about the

paranormal world. Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/SSWPI>

Sydney Spirit Stalkers

We are a Group of 4 Paranormal Investigators in Sydney's West area. Our team members specialise in, Tech & Equipment, Photography, Safety, Location Finding, Research and Mediumship.

We are always up for an adventure and love looking into haunted areas. We have come across some strange discoveries in various locations, which make us determined to continue our investigations. If you have anywhere you would like us to check out feel free to have a chat to one of us. "Personal Experience Over Rules All Others Judgment"
http://www.facebook.com/gettingstarted.php?step=contact_importer#%21/pages/Sydney-Spirit-Stalkers/160614330659716

UFO and Paranormal Research Society

The society was established to provide the public with information relating to the paranormal world of the unexplained, no matter the type of phenomena. The society beckons the public to forward their own accounts of anything that seems bizarre or unusual so as to defy logic! The Society is an active, in the field group dedicated to pioneering the unexplained world.

The Society has now embarked on a project to deliver this material as recreations professionally produced whereby actors are cast into the roles of the characters and the original account from Australians that are investigated by the Society are put to film. This Series is called EERIE ENCOUNTERS and the first DVD, featuring the UFO phenomenon, is now available from the Society. The series will eventually go to air on TVS.

The Society actively engages the public on reports they give so as to lend credibility to the reports they give. Everything from Cryptozoology to ghostly apparitions is covered.
<http://www.ufosociety.net.au/>

Validate

Validate is an independent investigative body seeking key elements that may provide evidential support to certain paranormal related theories such as hauntings, alleged foreign intervention i.e. UFO phenomena and cryptozoology.

In order to authenticate claims, Validate will endeavour to gather bona fide data without relying on calculations or any conclusions drawn by other groups or organisations. This clean slate approach enables Validate to conduct its own studies without influence. All obtained information (raw data) can therefore be thoroughly scrutinised at Validate's best capacity.

In essence, Validate deals with highly controversial areas that are considered as fringe science. Here, even the most qualified scientists who have invested

time and risked their academic careers to pursue phenomena research, find it extremely difficult to understand and draw solid conclusions. Validate acknowledges these difficulties through experience. Although Validate operates on strict guidelines, it appreciates the fact that certain events are beyond our academic textbooks. In other words, Validate will not be dissuaded no matter how extraordinary the claim may be. Validate is also dedicated to assisting and coaching groups within the field with the aim of bringing unity to the paranormal (including UFOlogy) community.
<http://www.paranormalnation.com.au/>
or <http://www.projectufo.org/>

W.S.P.R - West Sydney Paranormal Research

West Sydney Paranormal Research (W.S.P.R) is a Not-for-Profit-Organisation who are a small group of hard-working, like-minded and dedicated researchers/investigators - striving to find the truth in claims of paranormal activity.
W.S.P.R is made up of professional team members and we operate on a 'logic first' approach to ALL of our investigations. With a wide array of equipment, our aim is to determine whether or not any paranormal activity is present in the location we are investigating.
<http://www.westsydneyparanormal.org/index.html>

Queensland

Australian Paranormal Investigators (API)

Australian Paranormal Investigators (API) are a small team of dedicated researchers primarily based in Brisbane, Qld. We operate on a logic first basis and approach from a scientific point of view and our combined knowledge and experience allows our clients the benefit of a thorough and in-depth investigation. We understand that not all things are explainable by science but our vast range of experiences allows us to provide our clients with the necessary support based on their needs.
Location: Brisbane and surrounding areas (extensive travel available from anywhere between Maryborough to Coffs Harbour)
<http://www.australianparanormalinvestigators.com>
Haunted Australia

Our group is currently researching any locations brought to our attention and we are intending on traveling overseas end of this year to research some sites. Our location is just out of Brisbane but will cover all areas.
Website: <http://www.haunted-australia.com.au/>

Brisbane Amateur Paranormal Investigators

We perform investigations using up-to-date technology and equipment. Think you have a haunting? We may be able to provide alternative explanations for phenomena, or capture proof that what you have is real. We can perform investigations of locations upon invitation to do so. We are a completely not-for-profit

organisation and the cost of all our equipment and our time in both performing investigations and analysing data is done at our own expense. All investigations are conducted with complete respect for the location as well as anything paranormal which may be present. Feel free to contact us via Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/BrisbaneAmateurParanormalInvestigators?sk=info> or via email BrisbaneAPI@gmail.com

Down Under Spirit Team (DUST)

Down Under Spirit Team (DUST) was established in Sept 2012. DUST is based in South East Queensland, and is willing to travel up to 3 hours in each direction to help someone in need. DUST does not charge for investigations! DUST was formed with two clear objectives in mind, to investigate the paranormal, and to help people that are troubled by paranormal happenings. DUST will investigate any location necessary, businesses (private or public), private households, tourism locations, etc, etc. DUST will look to try and debunk any claims, or evidence found, and looks for common / native reasons for any evidence found, before looking to the paranormal. DUST believes that communication is paramount, and will always keep in contact with you before, during and after investigations.
www.dustinvestigations.com.au
Email: info@dustinvestigations.com.au

Ghosts-Inc

Ghosts-Inc are a Gold Coast, Queensland, Australian based group who have a goal to gather information that will lead to a better understanding of ghosts, hauntings and other paranormal activity. We also encourage people to share their stories with us, because a good ghost story combines real history and local urban legends!
<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Ghosts-Inc/157842384226548>

Paranormal Paratek Queensland

Queensland paranormal investigations & historical researching. Paratek is a State Government registered, fully insured not-for-profit incorporated association.
paratek is committed to conducting successful paranormal investigations. We investigate the site history thoroughly before commencing any investigation.
Mission statement:- "Seeking Truth By Evidence". Utilizing state of art detection equipment used in this field of research within Australia. Paratek will scrutinize all obtained data carefully & thoroughly before a comprehensive report is presented on the conclusion of our paranormal investigation. Paratek is Queensland state wide & has undertaken several high profile heritage site investigations to date.
Web: <http://www.paratek.net.au>

South Australia

Celestial World Australia

Celestial World Australia was founded by Michael Barnett with the focus on a wide variety of new age areas such as Mediumship and Spiritual Healing. Michael runs New Age courses and also conducts paranormal investigations ensuring every case is kept confidential. The CWA team uses a variety of equipment for scientific purposes and approaches all cases in a relaxed manner. CWA also uses spiritual methods such as mediumship to assist in these investigations. www.celestialworldaustralia.com

Eidolon Paranormal

A South Australian Paranormal Investigation Team. Investigating hauntings, UFOs, Cryptids and everything else deemed "Paranormal". Eidolon Paranormal can also be found actively interacting within the community at SA Paranormal meet-ups.

We aim to find the truth about urban "ghost" legends. We also investigate private and business premises to advise clients if their building is subject to a haunting. Offering free paranormal investigations and advice on hauntings. Privacy and discretion and professional conduct is assured. Contact us at: eidolon@live.com.au www.eidolonparanormal.net

Murraylands Paranormal

We are Toni, Neil, Barry and Ann - a fledgling group of Paranormal Investigators based in Murray Bridge, South Australia. Please feel free to e-mail us at: mpi.sa.ghost@internode.on.net

Paranormal Field Investigators

We are a small group of researchers based in Adelaide, South Australia. Our group study, research and investigate most aspects of the paranormal. We have been interested in this subject, as individuals, for many years and some of us have been investigating for over 20 years. People who join our team consist of people with knowledge in such skills as photography, tech and electronics plus individuals who are prepared to sit and research the history of an area being investigated. All investigations are treated in a professional manner, with respect and confidentiality to all persons and properties involved. We try to conduct our investigations in a technical manner, relying on electronic equipment to monitor the situation. We are open-minded to different theories and methods as this is not an exact science. Our services are free of charge. <http://paranormalfieldinvestigators.com/>

SA Paranormal

SA.Paranormal is a social group of people interested in all aspects of the paranormal. We will be meeting monthly for outings, such as ghost tours, cemetery visits, history tours, movies or for special guest

appearances by people involved with aspects of the paranormal.

MEET-UPS - S.A.P. Meet-ups are hosted by the teams of Eidolon Paranormal and Adelaide Spirit Chasers. They are frequented by many local S.A. teams who are willing to share their stories. We have guest speakers and presentations about equipment, spiritual items and other paranormal related subjects. The meet-ups will now be hosted at The Clare Castle Hotel in Kapunda South Australia one Sunday a month - dates and times will be posted on the wall here and at <http://www.eidolonparanormal.net/saparanormalmeetups.htm>

The Paranormal Guide

The Paranormal Guide (TPG) is a new website that explores the world of the paranormal through different forms of multimedia presentation. The bulk of the website is devoted to the videos the TPG team have created focussing on different aspects of the paranormal. All topics of the paranormal are covered ranging from Ghosts and Hauntings to UFO and Aliens, Cryptozoology to Unsolved Mysteries, True Crime is also covered too. As well as video presentations TPG has a fortnightly podcast to keep people up to date with what the team is doing as well as presenting topical discussions and answering listener's questions. TPG also has a user forum through which people can share their experiences, information and tell a good story or two. The video and Photo galleries are open for all to browse as well as to upload their own images and videos. Soon TPG will begin hosting their public meetings for like-minded individuals for a more personal contact experience. Although The Paranormal Guide is based in South Australia it really is a nation wide website covering all states and territories. The Paranormal guide is:
Ashley Hall: Founder and Head Administrator
Debbie Williams: Lead Researcher and In the field reporter
Pavle (Paul) Tipic: Lead Investigator and Tech Head
Tash MacDonald: Sensitive and Forum Administrator
www.theparanormalguide.net
www.facebook.com/theparanormalguide

R.U.P.I - Riverlands Unexplained Paranormal Investigators

This is a new paranormal group we are called R.U.P.I
Kathy Messenger - Spirit Medium
Richard (whisper) - Ghost Whisperer
Mandy Scidone - camera and EVPs
Peter Nikolis - Technical director, Researcher and jedi master
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/183859181726929/>

Fleurieu Paranormal Research

We are a small group of individuals with an interest in the paranormal. Fleurieu Paranormal Research is a non-profit organisation undertaking research into possible paranormal activity on the Fleurieu Peninsula. Our mission is to investigate and research paranormal

activity in and around the Fleurieu Peninsula. We are searchers of evidence, seekers of truth, and analysts of beliefs. No scientific proof of life after death? No scientific proof that there isn't either. For more information email fleurieuparanormal@y7mail.com or phone 0479 184 180.
Website: <http://fleurieuparanormal.blogspot.com.au/>

Victoria

Australian Ghost Adventures

AGA is a group of paranormal enthusiasts with a diverse background in paranormal research and investigation. We use scientific and alternative methods in our investigations and we do not charge a fee. Collectively we have over 40 yrs experience in the paranormal field. We use various techniques including the "scientific method", wicca, dowsing, alternative (including use of pendulums, crystals). We also use reputable psychic mediums. Modern technology and equipment is used, (including Thermal imaging), to help quantify any results. As a whole this family owned company has many collective years of paranormal investigation experience. Our award winning production team has been enlisted to help collaborate and document our findings on yet to be released DVD's. The team has extensive experience and have been involved in the A/V industry collectively over 50 years. The latest technology in HD cameras are used, helping to give the viewer a real life ghost hunting experience while sitting in the comfort of their own home. Members of both the AGA teams (Alternative and Technical), have had the pleasure of being involved in Australia's high rating cult paranormal television series (Haunted Australia).

We are a group of paranormal investigators and Psychic mediums. We do investigations, tours, seminars and media productions. We also run tours of haunted locations. We are currently running tours of The Old Geelong Gaol in Geelong Victoria and conduct special events such as sleepovers, halloween tours and private group bookings for 20 people and over.

Website: <http://www.ausghosts.com.au/>

Australian Paranormal Society

The Australian Paranormal Society (A.P.S) - founded and owned by Bill Tabone and Amanda Wright-Tabone, and co-ordinated by Bill, Amanda, Emily Tabone and Will Tabone - run a professional team of paranormal investigators who are located in Melbourne, Australia.

The A.P.S - is a 'not-for-profit' organization - that consists of a professional team of individuals 'with varying skills and a broad range of expertise' who are dedicated to researching and understanding unexplained phenomena worldwide - and we provide a 'free onsite assessment' for residential and commercial customers -Just email us with your enquiries.

The Australian Paranormal Society does not encourage nor will it condone trespassing at any time

and it will only investigate a location if proper permission has been granted by the appropriate authorities.

The A.P.S aim is two-fold: to create a team of 'dedicated paranormal researchers' as well as an extensive online resource centre that will cater for varying levels of interest and understanding.

Our mission is to extensively investigate and empirically document all types of 'unexplained phenomena' within Australia, utilizing the most advanced equipment and methodologies.

We approach each reported incident with sensitivity, fully respecting the person's worldview and religious beliefs, while maintaining full confidentiality. Any evidence gathered on location will remain private and confidential and any public disclosure would remain at the full discretion of the client.

An A.P.S. requirement of any investigation is that a full 'debrief' and feed-back session will be scheduled with the client to whom all findings will be made public.

The A.P.S will initially consider various rational explanations for alleged 'paranormal phenomena' and will continue to assist our clients until a satisfactory conclusion about any phenomena is reached.

All investigations proceed with no preconceived assumptions and will remain unbiased by allowing any evidence uncovered to guide the direction of the investigation.

Occupational Health and Safety issues affecting the A.P.S team are critical during any investigation. If for any reason members of the A.P.S feel the investigation should cease for personal or safety reasons, the investigation will be postponed or terminated.

Through their investigations the A.P.S hope to gain a more concise understanding about the nature of unexplained phenomena through extensive data collection, experimentation and empirical documentation

The A.P.S. also offers a specialised team for the clearing of premises/spirit rescue. This team is separate to the investigative team although still part of the A.P.S. This team will only attend when a thorough investigation has taken place. All contact is through our email.

We are open to any questions the public may have and to support other fellow paranormal investigation groups.

Our aim is to also build a more open and united paranormal community.

An evidence analysis service for the public and other P.I. groups is also available.

Website: www.australianparanormalsociety.com

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/australianparanormalsociety

Email: aps_contact@rocketmail.com

Australian Scientific Paranormal Investigations (ASPI):

We are a team of investigators who will not jump to the conclusion that something is paranormal until we feel we have substantial evidence to back it up. Jason

Dickson is one of the founders of Australian Scientific Paranormal Investigations, and has had many years of paranormal experiences, since his teens. Jason has Diplomas/qualifications in a few fields that come in really handy on our investigations. Sound, Photography, Video and Electronics, he has done it all! From working on movies, having his music published and now he runs Apparition Technologies, which is becoming one of the world leaders when it comes to equipment in this field. We look forward to seeing what he comes up with in our quest! We only use the best and latest equipment on the market to help validate what you're experiencing. We are located in Melbourne Australia, and if you would like us to investigate premises, or be referred to a team in your area, please feel free to message us.

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Australian-Scientific-Paranormal-Investigations/145995632219300>

Colonial Paranormal

Colonial Paranormal is Victorian based and was born out of our interest in the Paranormal, and wanting to know about things that go bump in the night! We got started on investigations in 2009 after going to the Point Cook Homestead. We have so far done investigations at Old Melbourne Gaol, Old Geelong Gaol, Point Cook Homestead and J Ward with other groups and are now trying to strike out on our own. We'd love to find more like-minded people who want to go on private investigations in Melbourne and around Victoria. We're not a tour group, nor are we out to make a profit or stand on the toes of existing groups. We'd just like to do our own thing. We have all our own gear and all we need is people keen to join us on investigations. By creating Colonial Paranormal we'd like to share the costs involved with getting into places. Most places charge a fee to get into, if we can split that with 10 people it's way cheaper than a tour. You can email us at melissa@colonialparanormal.com or visit the website www.colonialparanormal.com or you can find us on Facebook "Colonial Paranormal".

Carmar Paranormal Investigators

Carmar Paranormal Investigations is a non-profit group founded by Marty and Caroline Veenstra. Our aim is to show people around us and the media of strange occurrences while also debunking the fake or natural phenomenon. We document all paranormal and physical evidence and present our findings to our client. Our aim is to help to achieve balance and bring peace back into your environment. We at Carmar are experienced Paranormal Investigators who have 20 years collective experience between us in the field of Paranormal Disturbances and deal with both investigating and dealing with paranormal activity. Our team of Psychics, Mediums and Sensitives use with our combined abilities help locate and communicate with the spirits that are troubling your home or business. Over the years we have had great success in dealing with Paranormal Phenomena combining a Scientific and a Spiritual approach to our investigations.

Website:

<https://www.facebook.com/carmarparanormalinvestigations/info>

Historical Haunts Australia

Historical Haunts Australia is an experienced and professional team of Paranormal Investigators located in Melbourne, Australia. Our team approaches each case from a scientific viewpoint in an attempt to explain any disturbance being experienced. Every circumstance is unique and is dealt with accordingly whether it is natural or unexplained.

HHa are happy to investigate large or small sites some of which have included historical, industrial, business and private residences. All investigations are FREE OF CHARGE. Investigations can be kept CONFIDENTIAL at request of the client.

Website: <http://www.historicalhauntsoz.com.au/>

Independent Paranormal Investigators

Independent Paranormal Investigations (IPI) are a small Melbourne based group dedicated to finding answers of the paranormal. Working with other groups and individuals, we help both the living and the dead to find the answers they need to find some peace and move forward. We investigate many different locations including homes, business, public and private establishments in Victoria, Australia and Internationally. We do not charge for our services, if we are unable to help we can put you in contact with someone in your area that can.

Website www.paranormalinvestigations.com.au

Email: enquiries@paranormalinvestigations.com.au or find us on face book at

IndependentParanormalInvestigations

UPI - Undercover Paranormal Investigations

UPI - Undercover Paranormal Investigations is a paranormal group located in the south eastern suburbs of Melbourne dedicated to research and investigation into the unknown. We have been investigating locations for 5 years and I myself (Lionel) have experienced paranormal events all my life. Our investigations have yielded some very strong evidence and our investigation style is a mix of a scientific approach and feeling. We are currently looking to investigate any site with valid claims of the paranormal and would love to be contacted if anyone is interested in hosting us for an investigation.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Undercover-Paranormal-Investigations-UPI/365375210142514>

Victorian Phantom Hunters

Victorian Phantom Hunters are a paranormal investigation team located in Victoria Australia. We investigate the paranormal very seriously using scientific equipment and a diverse team of experienced and trainee investigators. Victorian Phantom Hunters works alongside some other great teams including Investigating for Lantern Ghost Tours. Troy Williams is the founder and lead researcher and after some personal experiences that left many

unanswered questions earlier on in life started reading and studying the Paranormal. In 2005 Troy formed Victorian Phantom Hunters and after a decade of continual research and investigating we are dedicated to helping people who are going through difficulties with any kind of paranormal problems specialising in personal cases and Homes. We are all continually learning and growing in the field and will work with any team supporting paranormal unity. Victorian Phantom Hunters do not charge for anything including investigations, advice, referrals.

Website: <http://www.victorianphantomhunters.com/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Victorian-Phantom-Hunters/217188481630466>

Western District Paranormal (WDP)

WDP is a paranormal investigation group, located in Miners Rest Victoria. Currently sporting a team of 3 dedicated investigators, WDP uses both logic, specialist equipment and scientific methods to investigate and question paranormal phenomenon across Victoria.

WDP's investigative services are free to the community and they can be contacted via email. WDP also produces a small range of ParaProducts including IR illuminators, EM Pumps, Vibration Detectors and Electrostatic Field Detectors. WDP ParaProduct are available for sale to the public on a made to order basis. WDP ParaProduct is a sideline to a full time job for Craig (WDP's Founder), hence the made to order nature of sales, no stock is carried. IR Illuminators can be customised to individual customer requirement.

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Western-District-Paranormal/182634478488164/>

Western Australia

The Albany Paranormal Research Society

The Albany Paranormal Research Society consists of a team of investigators who aim to document and record paranormal activities using tried and tested scientific methods. Our aim is to help people who experience unexplained phenomena to regain peace of mind. We are a professional team that will treat our clients with respect and discretion, and attempt to ascertain the true cause of their unexplained activity.

If you have an unexplained activity that you would like to talk to someone about or arrange an investigation, please browse our website for further information and contact us via our contact page. A team member will be in contact with you as soon as possible.

Email: albanyparanormal@hotmail.com or Website: <http://www.albanyparanormal.com>

Twilight Paranormal Investigators

At T.P.I we are all very spiritual our Team consists of sensitives and an empath/medium. We have combined a healthy balance of Spirituality and a scientific approach to our investigations. Our mission is to seek out the truth and help people, all our investigations are free, non-judgmental and handle with the utmost care

and respect, At T.P.I we believe in all things paranormal. Email: trishmoulton@y7mail.com
<http://twilightparanormalinvestigations.yolasite.com/>

West Australia Paranormal Research

We endeavour to raise the profile of this field of research in the local community and be there for those people who have issues that no one else wants to touch. If you have issues within your home or work place that are out of the normal or in some cases quite disturbing, we are here for you whether it is just for someone to talk to without being laughed at, or if you prefer we can send out investigators to have a look around and see if the case warrants a full team investigation. We work with reputable local psychics who can offer guidance and support; we also have worked with a local "exorcist" in the past when the situation required it. We are working to find an understanding of what this thing called the "Paranormal" actually is and how it can affect the living world around it.

Website: <http://www.waparanormal.com.au/home.html>

Perth Ghost Hunters

Formed in 2002 Perth Ghost Hunters offer free investigations to owners of both business and residential with reported paranormal occurrences to find out whether they have a haunting or not. We cover north to Geraldton, east to Kalgoorlie and south to Albany. We use some of the latest ghost hunting technology available and also own a Flir thermal camera in an attempt to get the best evidence.

We respect people's privacy and offer fully private investigations without bringing any unwanted attention to the owners and location of the haunting.

Contact us at perthghosthunters@yahoo.com

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/#!/PerthGhosHunter>

Website - <http://www.perthghosthunters.webs.com>

Tasmania

Team Strigois Paranormal Investigators

The name of our team came from Romanian mythology, where the strigoi are the troubled souls of the dead rising from the grave. We investigate known and unknown locations around our historic state. We investigate all types of locations including private residences in a respectful and professional manner; our goal is to capture phenomena using cameras and other recording equipment. Team Strigois never charge for any investigations and can also do confidential investigations as well. Our other aim is to put another spin on tourism in Tasmania and hopefully generate extra interest in the wider world and encourage more visitors to our beautiful state Tasmania.

Team Strigois are Drew McClelland, Jodie Newton and Mike Phillips. We investigate cases of Hauntings, UFO's, Urban Legends and Cryptozoology free of charge, confidential or published on our site.

Website: <http://teamstrigois-unnatural.com/>

Carmar Paranormal Investigators

Carmar Paranormal Investigations is a non-profit group founded by Marty and Caroline Veenstra. Our aim is to show people around us and the media of strange occurrences while also debunking the fake or natural phenomenon.

We document all paranormal and physical evidence and present our findings to our client. Our aim is to help to achieve balance and bring peace back into your environment.

We at Carmar are experienced Paranormal Investigators who have 20 years collective experience between us in the field of Paranormal Disturbances and deal with both investigating and dealing with paranormal activity.

Our team of Psychics, Mediums and Sensitives use with our combined abilities help locate and communicate with the spirits that are troubling your home or business. Over the years we have had great success in dealing with Paranormal Phenomena combining a Scientific and a Spiritual approach to our investigations.

<https://www.facebook.com/carmarparanormalinvestigations/info>

The Paranormal Team

Team Paranormal Australia is a group of like-minded people seeking the truth about the paranormal and bringing it to the world in a documentary styled show played exclusively on YouTube. The group has done investigations in to several private residences and most notably the Penitentiary Chapel Historic Site where evidence of the famous spirit Ivy's ghost was captured in the form of footsteps after one of our cameras mysteriously turned off.

<http://craziwolfmedia.com.au/>

<http://www.youtube.com/user/TeamParanormalAus>

Wraith Paranormal Research and Investigation

Here at Wraith Paranormal Research and Investigation we know that not everything you see, hear, smell or feel is in your imagination.

Using scientific analysis equipment amongst other tools we can come to your home, business or anywhere you feel that there may be something present and make a detailed assessment.

Whether you are curious or concerned we are here to help. We will always act with compassion and complete confidentiality. Whilst we are friendly and client focused we consider our research to be of the highest standard and a great deal of care is taken whilst gathering information.

Wraith Paranormal Investigation also works with the Launceston Paranormal Society and they assist with investigations bringing not only experience and technical equipment but a very high standard of investigation but also a strict method and practice.

Although we are located in Launceston we will travel if necessary. The statewide service is free of charge.

Website: <http://wraithinvestigations.com/>

Disclaimer

Please note that groups listed here are not endorsed by Soul Searchers. As a matter of precaution it is recommended that people make all necessary enquiries prior to engaging any group or attending any activity.

Soul Searchers reserves the right to decline or remove any group from the directory without cause and without notice.

Workshops, Courses and Events

If you are conducting a workshop, course or an event on the paranormal and you would like them listed then send an email to: soulsearchers@spheresoflight.com.au and accessparanormal@gmail.com

Workshops, Courses and Events - QLD, NSW & VIC

SOuL S.P.I

Parapsychology Certificate Course

(Dates for 2013 to be announced)

This comprehensive course is ideal for those who would like an in-depth knowledge of the paranormal and would like to learn the necessary skills to become a Professional Paranormal Investigator.

Some of the topics covered include history and philosophy of parapsychology, paranormal investigations, the various types of paranormal phenomena, the role of technical equipment in

investigations, geopathic stress, dowsing, vortices and portals, extrasensory perception and psychokinetics, clairvoyance and other psychic senses.

All of the classes will be highly interactive and experiential, focusing on participation and engagement of the students. There will be practical exercises throughout the course and also interaction with SOuL S.P.I Investigators. This course will be facilitated by Janine Donnellan who is the founder of SOuL Searchers and Steve Millard Case Manger of SOuL Searchers Paranormal Investigations.

Location; TBA

Course Duration: 3 modules run over 2 weekends
9.30am - 5:30pm each day.

Course Payment: \$250 per weekend - this includes manual, lunch and morning and afternoon tea.

For more information please email
soulsearchers@spheresoflight.com.au

Macquarie Community College/Australian Institute of Psychological Research

Poltergeist Disturbances and Hauntings

Date: Saturday 2nd February and Saturday 9th February 2013

Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Price: \$150 for both Saturdays

Website:

<http://www.macquarie.nsw.edu.au/course/PDAH>

Almost everyone has a ghost story involving psychic phenomena: Sensing a presence in the room, or right next to you; seeing objects move by themselves; hearing voices of deceased loved ones, or rapping, or scratching sounds. Find out what it's all about.

Parapsychology is the study of psychic functioning, and transpersonal psychology is the study of the spiritual dimensions of consciousness.

Materials supplied include case studies from the Australian Journal of Parapsychology (2002, Vol. 2[2]), plus a recommended reading list of 33 items and a dozen colour images.

The tutor: Robb Tilley has been an active member of the Australian Institute of Parapsychological Research Incorporated (AIPR), since 1982, and for the last ten years has been managing editor for the Australian Journal of Parapsychology. Robb was also Vice-President of the Australian Transpersonal Psychology Association for 16 years.

Robb Tilley had his first "out of body" experience in 1964 aged 14 years, followed by experiences of telepathy and precognition, including an encounter with a spiritual being who explained that this spiritual life work is very important.

Robb has successfully cleared haunted houses since 1994 as part of his role as Public Officer for the AIPR.

Hunter Paranormal Australia Intro into Paranormal Investigation

Date:TBA

Time: 9:00pm - 10:30pm

Price: \$30.00

Website: <http://hunterparanormalaustralia.com.au/>

Location: Pioneer Village - Minmi Cemetery, Minmi Road, Minmi, NSW

Come and join Hunter Paranormal Australia at Minmi Cemetery, we will supply you with basic equipment to

use and explain how to use it so you can conduct your own paranormal investigation.

For more information please e-mail
hunterparanormal69@gmail.com

Newcastle Ghost Tours

Day Tours

Package One: Fort Scratchley Tunnel Tour and Monet's Lunch Day Tour

Date: To be confirmed at time of booking

Time: TBA (but during the day) and runs for approximately 3 hours. Minimum 15 people.

Location: Fort Scratchly, Nobbys Road, East Newcastle, NSW

Price: Adults at \$40 per person, Children (12-16) and concessions at \$35 per person (includes all costs for site entry and lunch).

http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=212

This package includes a visit to the Fort Scratchley site and a 1 hour historic tour conducted by the volunteers at the Fort followed by arrival at Monet's Restaurant at the James Fletcher site on Watt Street Newcastle for a relaxing lunch including tea/coffee and cake with a talk about the history of the site to conclude your morning out.

For more information email

info@newcastleghosttours.com.au

Package Two: The "LOCK UP" Museum Tour and Monet's Lunch Day Tour

Date: To be confirmed at time of booking

Time: TBA (but during the day) and runs for approximately 2.5 to 3 hours. Minimum 15 people.

Location: Fort Scratchly, Nobbys Road, East Newcastle, NSW

Price: \$30 per person.

http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=212

This package includes entry into our historic Lock up Gaol/Museum located on Hunter Street, Newcastle. This facility was used at the town's lock up from the 1860's and contains the original cells open for inspection. The volunteers will show you through and discuss crime and punishment in the early years of the township. This will be followed by arrival at Monet's Restaurant on the James Fletcher site with lunch in the second oldest building in Newcastle including tea/coffee and a talk about the history and significance of the site to conclude your morning out.

This package includes your donation to the Lock Up site, lunch and speaker charge.

For more information email

info@newcastleghosttours.com.au

Weekly Tours

East End

Date: Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday

Time: 7:15pm (runs approximately 2.5 hours)

Location: TBA

Price: \$45.00 (includes Devonshire tea!)

http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=64

Do you have a group of friends who would like to share a very unique experience?

A private tour gives you and your friends more time to explore the old haunts of Newcastle's East End. Join me in a walk around the first streets of the settlement of Newcastle. Maybe you will encounter the ghost of James Hannell, publican and auctioneer on Hunter Street! We might also take you up to the site of Gaol where public hangings took place. We could walk past the site of the old Royal Hospital where the ghost of the matron can still be seen walking the old corridors. We will definitely be visiting the old Cathedral cemetery! You never know what old soul we shall encounter along the way. Have your camera ready!

Call on 0411 357519 or email – info@newcastleghosttours.com.au

History and Mystery Day Tours

Date: Weekly on Thursdays only

Time: 12:00pm (runs approximately 2 hours)

Location: Muster point - The Lock Up on Hunter Street, Newcastle NSW (between Bolton Street and Watt Street)

Price: \$45.00 (includes Devonshire tea!)

http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=64

Historic walking day tours are available for small groups (minimum four people). Bookings are available on Thursdays only – this allows us entry into The United Servicemen's Club on Watt Street and includes a Devonshire Tea at haunted "Monet's" Restaurant at James Fletcher. Tours commence at 12 noon taking about 2 hours.

Twilight Historic Walks at West Wallsend Cemetery

Date: No more dates available for these tours until 2013

Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm (daylight savings time)

Location: TBA

Price: \$35 per person

Link: http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=45

Newcastle Ghost Tours has worked for over six months with Lake Macquarie City Council to secure permission to conduct respectful and informative tours at "Westy" Cemetery. Tours will be available for group bookings of 8 or more people.

Join us as the last rays of sun dip behind the mountain and learn about the gravedigger whose spirit still oversees the goings on of the cemetery, visit the grave of an early convict buried there and much more.

Call Renata mob: 0411 357519 or email info@newcastleghosttours.com.au for any future group bookings and all enquires.

Investigation Nights

Date: Monday 25th February, Sunday 28th April, Monday 17th June, Sunday 25th August

Time: Monday 25th February, Sunday 28th April - 7pm start. Monday 17th June, Sunday 25th August - 7.30pm start.

Location: Miss Porter's House – King Street, Newcastle West, NSW

Price: \$55.00

http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=63

We have very special permission to conduct paranormal investigations at Miss Porter's House –

situated in King Street Newcastle West. Herbert Porter and his family moved into their new house in 1910. His two daughters Ella (born 1911) and Hazel (born 1914) remained single and lived in the house until Hazel's passing in 1997.

The Edwardian terrace house contains 100 years of collectibles, 1909 – 1940 furniture, unique architectural features as well as the ghosts of family members, including Mr. Herbert Porter himself, who has stayed on in spirit to take care of his beloved home. Your night will commence the Muster point in front of Miss Porter's House directly across the road from McDonalds King street Newcastle West. It will include an historical overview of the area including Cottage Creek which was the most remote "civilized" point of the township of Newcastle and the house standing on what was known as "Lock's Paddock – a stonemason's yard. Learn aspects of paranormal investigating from an intuitive viewpoint. Learn how to heighten your psychic abilities and become more sensitive to the energies around you. You will have plenty of time to explore, take photos and stake out some of the rooms with us and listen for things that WILL go bump in the night! We may even have another "spirit board" session and connect with the ghosts of the house.

Grand Tour of the Civic Theatre

Date: TBA

Time: TBA

Location: 375 Hunter Street, Newcastle NSW

Price: TBA

<https://www.facebook.com/#%21/events/320212864681440/>

We have another opportunity this year to showcase one of Newcastle's most amazing buildings and share all of its deep dark secrets! Join us on this 3 hour tour with our special host Mr. Richard Laws who has worked at the Theatre for many years and who will take us for a ghostly journey through this building. Last year we had some crazy experiences. More information to come soon - mark this date in your calendar and don't miss out!!!! Maybe you are part of a paranormal investigative group who might like to join us on this night? Yes...it is a tour but it is also a great opportunity to snoop around this old haunted theatre - you will have plenty of opportunities to take photos and set up equipment as we have the theatre all to ourselves.

East End Tour

Date: Friday 8th February, Friday 8th March, Friday 12th April, Friday 10th May

Time: July to September - 7:00pm, October - November 7:30pm

Location: East End of Newcastle, NSW

Price: \$45.00

http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=55

Private Tours for small groups available (3 people minimum – flexible to suit your needs but no entry into sites are available on private tours).

Please be aware that you will be walking up hills during this tour and need sensible footwear. We will operate the tour in MOST weather conditions – if it is drizzling (slightly raining) the tour will be going ahead so bring an umbrella/raincoat as these are not supplied.

We will take you down the first streets of King's Town (later renamed Newcastle).

Walk the path of the first convicts sent to hard labour, hear the true stories of gruesome murders and untimely deaths. Visit what remains of the oldest cemetery in Newcastle.

See one of Newcastle's best kept secrets – the oldest building in Newcastle. Listen to the history of the old Police Lock Up and roam through the cells. See the padded cell where one inmate took his life into his own hands!

Bring a torch and camera – you may catch one of the poor souls that still haunt this end of town by surprise...or they might just follow us around for the night wanting to see what we get up to (it happens all the time).

*Tour charge includes entry into all heritage listed buildings, staff member payments (not employees of Newcastle Ghost Tours) and any council fees that are incurred.

A percentage of all of our tour charges goes back to the community! We make donations to the Heritage Trust which then forwards the money on to help with the immense expense of keeping these historic sites in order and well maintained for our enjoyment and for that of future generations.

Get a group together and join us on a ghostly tour of the East End of Newcastle!! The tour will include entry into the LOCK UP Museum on Hunter Street.

Call 0411 357 519 or email info@newcastleghosttours.com.au

Stanley Park Sleepover

Date: TBA

Location: Stockton House: 77 Fullerton Cove, Fullerton Cove - just outside of Stockton on the road to Nelson Bay- you will be turning left on the roundabout where the sign says "Fullerton Cove".

Price: TBA

Newcastle Ghost Tours is very pleased to have secured this amazing homestead dating back to 1897 for an overnight sleepover.

Arrival will be in the afternoon of Saturday approximately 4pm with a chance to look around and enjoy the location. We will enjoy an easy dinner together and then you will have the rest of the evening to explore the grounds and rooms at your leisure.

Dinner and breakfast are included and departure time will be at 8.30 am Sunday morning.

You may bring sleeping bags etc. if you wish to try and catch some zzz's and also any snacks. Tea/coffee with also be available.

Maximum number is 20 people. A non refundable deposit of \$25 is required to secure your spot. Join us by emailing info@newcastleghosttours.com.au for more details.

"Phantoms of the Theatre" Lock down event

Date: Friday 1st February 2013

Time: TBA

Venue: Civic Theatre, 375 Hunter Street, Newcastle, NSW

Price: approximately \$100 per person

Newcastle Ghost Tours have secured the opportunity for a full overnight lock down at the CIVIC THEATRE

on Hunter street Newcastle. The tentative date will be 1st February 2013 (Friday overnight). First priority will be for paranormal groups or members of paranormal groups who might like to come to Newcastle and cooperatively work alongside other paranormal teams.

This is a big theatre with plenty of room for everyone to set up equipment. This is a rare opportunity as the CIVIC is a fully functioning working theatre and we know that there is plenty of activity.

If there is any extra space the event will be opened to the public/enthusiasts so that they can come and learn from the experts.... so stay tuned!

More info to come after final details are negotiated - please lock this into your paranormal diaries and NGTt me know if you are interested to take part so that you booked can be secured.

Website:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/400070283378481/>

Norfolk Island - Investigation

Date: Friday 25th, Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th January 2013

Time: TBA

Venue: Norfolk Island!!!

Price: Approx. \$1,450 per person

The itinerary and prices are almost set - this will include accommodation, dinners, breakfasts and **tours** including a mystery and history dinner and another ghost tour dinner!!!

A minimum of 16 people is needed to secure the price and you can either do twin share or single.

You will need a passport and bookings will be secured with deposits only - first to pay a deposit will be first to go, then a wait list will be created.

A thank you to Flight Centre for such a great price and itinerary - more details will follow shortly.

For more information, you can email info@newcastleghosttours.com.au

Paranormal Investigating 101 - Beginners Course plus Investigation

Date: Saturday 9th March

Time: 1:00pm - 9:00pm

Venue: TBA (Newcastle NSW)

Price: \$80

Get the real info from two local award winning ghost tour presenters Murray Byfield and Renata Daniel during this intensive afternoon filled with current and "no bull" information about paranormal investigating. This is a real beginner's course and for those who have seen all the TV shows and now want to hear what really happens!

Topics covered include ethics, rules and regulations regarding sites, team logistics, working with ghost detecting tools, keeping it real and working with your psychic abilities and mediums, poltergeists and different types of entities that you can encounter.

Start time is 1pm with a 5 hour intensive workshop followed by an opportunity to take part in a real investigation at a local historic site.

Grab this opportunity now and email Renata at: infoa@newcastleghosttours.com.au - this course will fill fast.

Venue will be in the local area as will the investigation site - more info on application.

Lock up Gaol Sleepover

Date: Saturday 23rd March to Sunday 24th March

Time: 9:30pm to 7:30am

Venue: Newcastle Police Station, 90 Hunter Street, Newcastle NSW

Price: \$60 per person

Are you after the ultimate ghost hunting experience? Then we challenge you to a sleepover at the old Newcastle Lock Up. The Lock-Up is the Newcastle Police Station which operated from 1861 until its closure in 1982. Stay in this historic facility overnight – as that is when the real action starts to happen! You will begin your evening at 9:30pm on Saturday with an Introductory Overview of the LOCK UP provided by your hosts from Newcastle Ghost Tours. Listen to a 1 hour presentation & introduction to this historic facility. Hear real accounts of grizzly occurrences in the cells where you will be laying your head down to sleep... You will then be "locked down" into the building to spend the rest of your evening in the company of your friends and the ghosts of the previous inmates (and there are many of them). Like all prisoners held in this facility in the early 1900's – there will be no comforts here!

You will have to sleep on the cold bare floors of the cells and bring all of your own food/ snacks for the evening. There will be strictly NO ALCOHOL (any found will be liable to see the offender flogged and placed into solitary confinement) you will have to make your own entertainment and it's BYO everything for your own comfort. Young offenders can also find themselves at the LOCK UP for misdemeanours BUT they must be under the supervision of a parent or guardian at all times. Age limitations restrict children under the age of 14 years. Your time in incarceration will finish at 8am Sunday morning when you will be given your Ticket-of-Leave and been shown the front door. You are welcome to join us to get a hot meal (at your own cost) into your stomach before the trip home by breakfasting at one of the local restaurants just up the road. Bookings are open for this date. Email us on info@newcastleghosttours.com.au
http://www.newcastleghosttours.com.au/?page_id=87

Old Government House Tour

Date: Saturday 15th June

Time: We will consider booking a mini bus if there are enough people who wish to go down in one from Newcastle - otherwise I suggest car pooling which we can organise closer to the date.

Leaving time approx. 3pm from Newcastle. Arrival at Sydney approx. 5.30pm and tour starts approx 7.00pm and finishes 10pm.

Venue: Old Government House, Parramatta Park, Parramatta NSW 2150

Price: Price is \$55 per person BBQ, Tour & Supper

Join us for a guided ghost tour of Old Government House - Parramatta. Details will be finalized closer to the date but please put this in your diary now. WE had an amazing time last year with lots of activity experienced by the group.

On arrival we will enjoy a light BBQ in the restaurant. The evening commences down in the cellar, where strange tales are recounted from the site's long history. Revisit the scene of a tragic accident and witness places within the house where psychics and guides

have had ghostly encounters. Evening finishes with supper before we leave.

If you are from Sydney or the Central Coast we want you to join us too! We actually need 20 people to lock this in so if you think you can come please let me know here.

We will require a non-refundable deposit of \$25 to secure your booking in about March 2013 but at the moment I am just taking expressions of interest.

All enquiries via email:

info@newcastleghosttours.com.au

UFO-PRSA

Monthly Meeting

Date: TBA

Time: 6:45pm to 10:15pm

Venue: Campbelltown Arts Centre, NSW

This meeting we will be presenting the evidence, including imagery, in support of extra-terrestrials visiting Earth in our remote past. For more information go to

<http://www.ufosociety.net.au>

Australian Paranormal Phenomena Investigators (A.P.P.I)

Paranormal Investigation of the Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre

Date: Saturday 16th February, 16th March, 20th April, 18th May, 15th June

Time: 8:00pm - 12:00am

Venue: Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, 1 Casula Road, Casula NSW

Price: \$45.00

Come and be an investigator for the night!

Using viewing monitors, EVP and ghost box sessions, EMF meters, ghost meter pro, dowsing rods, pendulums, experiential tactics and much more.

APPI will attempt to find evidence of paranormal activity within the Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre grounds.

All this and it includes light supper!

Be quick to book your spot! Go to

<http://www.casulapowerhouse.com/booknow/>

Scroll down to the 9 June and you'll see the Paranormal Investigators option.

Paranormal Investigation of Liverpool TAFE

Date: Saturday 23rd February 2013

Time: 9.30pm - 12.30pm

Venue: Liverpool TAFE, 140 Biggie St, Liverpool NSW 2170

Price: \$65.00

Link: <http://www.appi.org.au/liverpool-tafe.html>

Walk through Liverpool College and grounds, reliving the stories of paranormal activity.

Brief workshop on what a paranormal investigation entails, with handouts.

Various equipment provided.

Then YOU investigate!

Includes light supper

Paranormal Investigators Sleepover at Liverpool TAFE

Date: Saturday 27 April 2013

Time: 9.30pm - 7.30am

Venue: Liverpool TAFE, 140 Biggie St, Liverpool NSW 2170

Price: \$150

Link:<http://www.appi.org.au/liverpool-tafe.html>

Brief workshop on what a paranormal investigation entails, with handouts.

Using viewing monitors, nightvision cameras, laser grids, dowsing rods, emf detectors, thermometers, spirit boxes and motion sensors, find out who is still occupying this old hospital.

Includes light supper & light breakfast

Australian Ghost Adventures Old Geelong Gaol Ghost Tours

Date: TBA

Time: 8:00pm

Location: Cnr Myers and Swanston Street, Geelong VIC

Price: Ghost Tour (90 mins) \$30 adults - \$25 concession - \$20 children

(aged 8 to 15.... please note, customers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult) \$90 family (2 adults, up to 3 children) Investigation Tour for 2 hours is \$40.

<http://www.geelongghosttours.com.au/bookings.php>

Are you brave enough to join us as we investigate and tour one of Geelong's most haunted buildings? Many stories have been told about its deceased inhabitants and their present day appearances. Experience the last few steps of former prisoners from their cold, dark condemned cells to the gallows where they were hung for their crimes.

Even today, people talk of the strange feelings they've had of ghostly apparitions, from condemned prisoners walking aimlessly about, to bodies still swinging from the Hangman's noose. Do you have what it takes to become part of these stories; to experience the sights and sounds of Ghostly encounters? Come along and "Dare to be Scared!" On our Ghost Tour.

Aradale Ghost Tours - Ararat Lunatic Asylum

Date: Fridays and Saturdays

Time: 8pm

Location: Heath Street, Ararat, VIC

Price: 3 hour investigation tour - \$70

Link: <http://aradaleghosttours.com.au/bookings.php>

Very limited seating.... Paranormal investigation!

Explore buildings never been shown to the public. 10 people group maximum.

Imagine... 5 buildings not otherwise open to the public.

Want to go ghost hunting?

Ararat Lunatic Asylum is the ultimate!

Top range equipment provided, or brings your own.

Phone 1300 856 668 to book!

Email: info@aradaleghosttours.com.au

Sleepover in Grevilea

Date: Friday 15th March

Time: 9pm to 7am

Location: address TBA

Price: \$150 per person

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Australian-Ghost-Adventures/26114225180?ref=stream>

The night starts with a 2 hour investigation of the Asylum followed by SPENDING THE NIGHT in Grevilea. The night includes the tour and a light snack

and drinks. With a maximum of 15 people only you need to BOOK FAST to secure your spot. Tour is for people over the age of 18 and you will need to supply your own sleeping bag, pillow, blankets and a blow up mattress or something to sleep on. No alcohol is to be taken on tour or anyone under the influence of alcohol or drugs and smoking will be in designated areas only. Bring along any Ghost Hunting Equipment/Cameras or Video Cameras or use some of the equipment provided. It will be up to the individual to look after your own property. Call 0447 432 816 to book!!!

Australian Paranormal Society Paranormal Workshop

Date: Monday 21st January

Time: 6:30pm to 10:30pm

Location: Royal Melbourne Hotel, 629 Bourke Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

Price: \$60 per ticket

Come along and conduct a mini investigation, use equipment and learn about the paranormal. This is a hands on experience! You get to learn a little **about** the equipment we use and you get to use it for yourself!

It's a great gift idea for friends, family and loved ones and those with a keen interest in the paranormal, do not miss this awesome opportunity for a fun filled spooky night, come on down do not be shy, book your tickets now with Bill on 0438 612 916.

Carmar Paranormal Haunted Guest Investigation at the Theatre Royal Castlemaine

Date: Saturday 23rd February

Time: 9:00pm - 12:00am

Location: 30 Hargraves Street, Castlemaine VIC 3450

Price: \$55 (which includes supper)

Will you be next to experience the spirits of the Theatre... are you brave?

This will be one very spooky experience with our guests from our previous investigation having their own personal experience with the ghosts of the Theatre!

Due to the activity here we are asking guests not to bring young children.

OTHER

The School of Parapsychology (SCOP)

This online institution provides a rare gateway to the scientific enquiry into a world seemingly without answers. As you enter the cyberschool gates, you will realise that Parapsychology is a science comparable to other sciences such as chemistry, physics, biology and psychology. By this, I mean within this domain you will come across a multitude of positions, theories, facts, figures, arguments, and, perhaps more so for parapsychology than any other science, controversy. By opening its gates to the international community, the School of Parapsychology seeks to disseminate knowledge, from the basic foundations to the complex discussions, normally only the domain of the enthusiastic bookworms and parapsychologists.

Website:

<http://www.theschoolofparapsychology.org/SCOP/index.php>

Please email accessparanormal@gmail.com if you have or know of any workshops, courses or events happening in Queensland!

Workshops Courses and Events - TAS, SA, WA, NT & ACT

Adelaide's Haunted Horizons

Tailem Town Investigation Paranormal Investigation Tour

Date: Most Saturdays

Time: TBA

Location: Tailem Town, Princes Highway, Tailem Bend, SA

Price: \$65.00

Link:

<http://www.adelaidehauntedhorizons.com.au/oldtailemtownghosttour.html>

These tours are slightly different from your run of the mill ghost tours as YOU get to try your hand at a bit of ghost-hunting! Come and hang back after your tour with guides, some of who have also been in or are still in the paranormal research field. Let them tell you of their own experiences as well as reported experiences of others. Listen to stories of strange shadows and unusual photographs taken by the public. Hear about some of the characters that once resided in these very buildings before their death and before the buildings were transported to the township plank by plank. Once the two hour tour finishes, get to experience for yourself just what it is like to sit quietly in reportedly active areas of the township for an hour or two. Over 110 buildings to choose from! This is a great opportunity for the paranormal enthusiast, whether a beginner or an experienced investigator, to be able to get access to Tailem Town for a short time under supervised conditions.

Other nights by request for private bookings.

Phone 0407 715 866 or email

alison@adelaidehauntedhorizons.com.au.

Tailem Town Ghost Tours

Date: Most Saturdays

Time: TBA (2 hours duration)

Location: Tailem Town, Princes Highway, Tailem Bend, SA

Price: \$30.00

Link:

<http://www.adelaidehauntedhorizons.com.au/oldtailemtownghosttour.html>

What is the travelling cemetery? What photos taken in the township caught the attention of a paranormal investigation team? What relevance does the name "Jack" caught on their tape have? See and hear material captured both here and in other locations. These are just a few of the questions that will be answered, along with many others, on Tailem Town Ghost Tours. So join us as we guide you through some of the buildings that now reside at the Old Tailem Town Pioneer Village.... after dark! Please note: This walk takes place on uneven ground in many places, for this reason please wear sensible, flat shoes. The area is also dark so please bring a torch if you have one.

Other nights by request for private bookings.

Phone 0407 715 866 or email

alison@adelaidehauntedhorizons.com.au.

Saint Cecilia Ghost Tour/Investigation Night

Date: Saturday 2nd February, Saturday 9th March, Saturday 4th May, Saturday 6th July, Saturday 7th September and Saturday 2nd November

Time: 5:00pm – 10:00am

Location: 2 Callary Street, Peterborough SA

Price: \$180.00

Website:

http://www.adelaidehauntedhorizons.com.au/st_ceciliaghosttours.html

Spend a whole night in this dark, and very imposing Mansion and try and find out for yourself if it is haunted. Why, after Bishop Nortons death, did his replacement refuse to live in this house?

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This is a whole night of investigation and includes:

- An introduction to the house and paranormal theories
- A history/ghost tour of this mansion
- A 3 course evening meal
- A night of Ghost Hunting with use of H.H. equipment if needed
- Coffee and Tea facilities at all times
- A bed and shower (may be in a shared room)
- A full cooked English breakfast
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Please also note, Adelaide's Haunted Horizons obviously cannot promise a 'ghost' on the night (the paranormal doesn't work like this sadly) but we can ensure you have a fantastic and enjoyable night!

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Date: Saturday 16th February and a Saturday every 2 months.

Time: 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: Burra, SA

Price:\$160.00

Website:

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The night will include:

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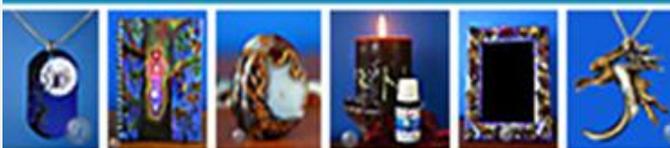
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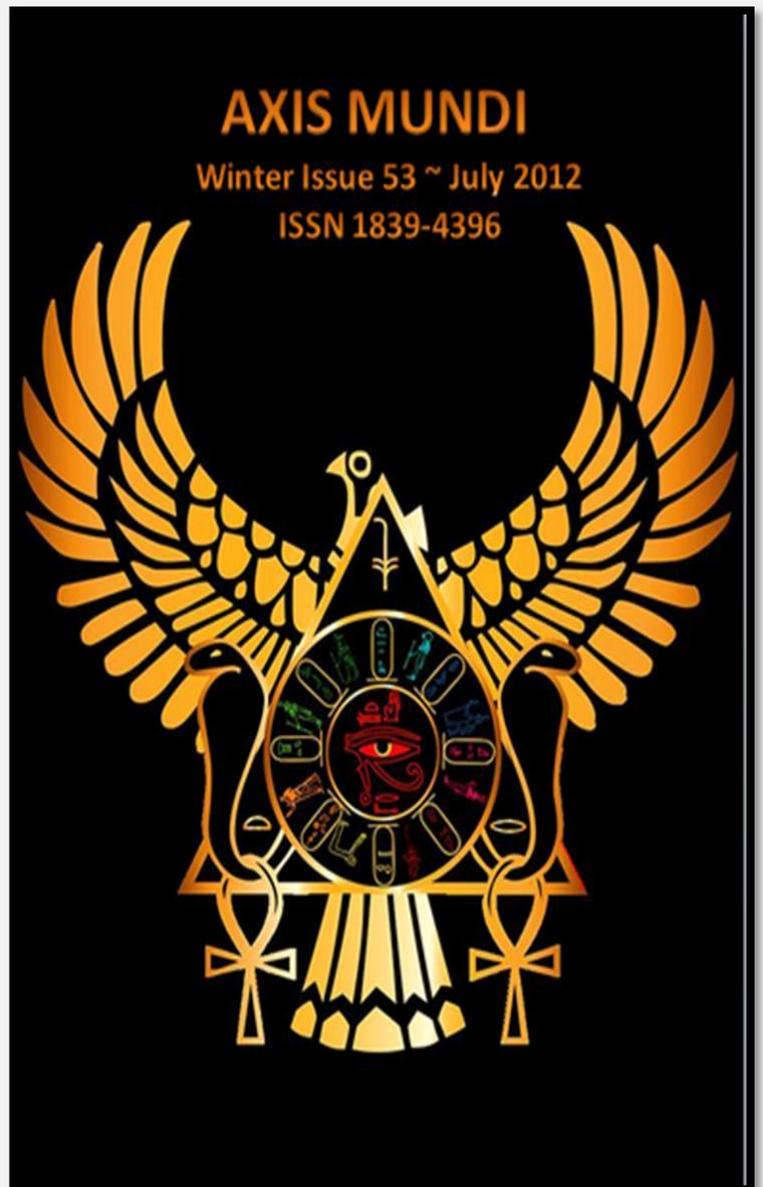
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